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College mourns death of student, injuries to others

Players were returning from day in Oklahoma

BY JIMMY L. SEXTON
MANAGING EDITOR

Tragedy struck Missouri Southern Sunday when four football players were involved in an automobile accident that resulted in one fatality.

Blake Riley, Jim Mazzocchi, David Gossett, and Alan Brown were returning to Joplin early Sunday morning on the Oklahoma Will Rogers Turnpike when their vehicle swerved across the outside lane and struck a tractor-trailer parked on the side of the road.

The four had attended the Oklahoma-Colorado football game in Norman, Okla., Saturday afternoon, then had visited friends in Stillwater, Okla., that night.

Riley, a freshman defensive end from Edmond, Okla., was pronounced dead at the scene due to massive head injuries. "Blake was a great kid and was loved by everybody on the team," said Southern head football coach Jon Lantz, who also coached Riley at Edmond High School. "Right now, the team is in the shock and disbelief stage. They are a ways off from accepting what has happened."

Mazzocchi, a senior reserve linebacker and special teams player from Des Plaines, Ill., is currently listed in good condition at St. Francis Hospital in Tulsa. Though he suffered a fractured left jaw, a compound fracture to his left wrist, and various cuts and abrasions, Mazzocchi is reported to be in good spirits and is recovering in Room 5101 with Gossett.

Gossett, a senior starting offensive tackle from Chanute, Kan., was transferred from the intensive care unit to a private room Monday and is currently listed in good condition.

"I'm just feeling pretty sore right now," said Gossett. "I've got a shattered hip, four or five broken ribs, and a collapsed lung. I'm still pretty much out of it right now, but I'm feeling better."

"Jim is awake and sitting up in bed, and he's doing better, I'm told."

Gossett said his hip was surgically rebuilt Sunday night, with three pins placed in it. He said he will be hospitalized four to six weeks. His hip is presently in traction.



STAFF PHOTO BY NICK COBLE

Tribute Missouri Southern students showed their affection and support for Blake Riley (No. 56), Alan Brown (No. 7), Jim Mazzocchi (No. 51), and David Gossett (No. 72) by placing plastic cups in the fence surrounding Fred G. Hughes Stadium earlier this week.

worse. It was just bad."

After striking the back of the tractor-trailer, the back end of the Mazzocchi vehicle "came up and rotated 90 degrees in the air, then came back down and traveled for 13 feet, resting sideways on the eastbound lane," according to Green.

Green, who is dispatched out of the Vinita headquarters and assigned to the Will Rogers Turnpike, said it took him about 40 minutes to reach the site of the accident after receiving the call.

"There were already ambulances and a wrecker there when I got there," he said. "They were loading them onto the Life Flight helicopters when I pulled up. From what I could gather, Mazzocchi and Riley were in the front seat, and Brown and Gossett were sitting back."

Green said the car was traveling 65 miles per hour, the speed limit on the highway, and there were not any skid marks on the pavement to suggest the players had been awake and at least tried to stop.

"Traveling at 65 on impact with no slowdown, you're talking a big difference in weight," said Green. "The impact threw the tractor-trailer 53 feet forward and did about \$25,000 in damages, enough to total it."

"I stopped to look at the scene of the accident on my way home Monday," said Lantz, "and if it weren't for the semi be-

there.

"Two men and two women showed up to help, and I told one of the women to sit and hold his hand and try and comfort him, while the others went for help and some blankets."

Boyd said he was walking around the car to check on Brown when he noticed Gossett emerging from the car.

"The dash had folded in around him, and somehow he gathered all of his remaining strength and just pushed the dash off of him. It took everything he had to do that, and I know it had to hurt something bad."

According to Boyd, the patrolmen and ambulance personnel did not arrive until about 6:30 a.m., nearly two hours after the wreck.

"The other people were just standing around watching and really didn't know what to think of the situation," Boyd said. "I wasn't trying to be bossy or pushy, but the boys needed help right then, and I set them about getting blankets and going for help."

1,000 attend Riley's funeral

Funeral services for Riley were held yesterday morning at the Metro Church in Edmond. The Rev. Mark Blackmore, Lantz, and Riley's high school coach all spoke. Riley was buried in Oklahoma City.

"It was a very impressive funeral," said Terry Brown. "I would guess that there were over 1,000 people in attendance."

"Coach Lantz spoke at the service, and I think he is really just a class act. He cares for his players and really gets involved with what is going on in their lives."

According to Jim Frazier, men's athletic director, Jefferson Bus Lines provided transportation for those who attended the funeral. Several football players went to the funeral and stayed afterward for a luncheon. Several others went on to St. Francis in Tulsa to visit their teammates.

Riley wanted to help Lantz

More than 300 students, friends, faculty, administrators, and alumni attended a tearful memorial service Tuesday morning at College Heights Christian Church in Joplin in memory of Riley.

"Blake typified what Lion football was all about," said Lantz, who eulogized Riley at the service. "After I accepted this position at Southern, Blake was the first person to contact me. He wanted to throw his hat into the ring and help me to rebuild this football program."

"You can all be comforted to know that Blake was a Christian and was strong in his faith and his witness."

Lantz has been coaching football for 16 years, and Riley marks the seventh player he has lost. He is Lantz's second player to be killed during the football season.

"I've lost six players due to car wrecks and one player was shot," he said. "I was closer to Blake than any of the other players I have lost. You are never prepared for this sort of thing to happen. It never gets better, it just gets worse."

"This is a very tragic situation for the young people on the team, the community, and the school. We're (the football team) not the only ones affected here."

RHA wants to plant tree

The Residence Hall Association is spearheading a fund drive to collect donations for a tree to be planted near the dormitories in memory of Riley.

"It's sort of a tradition here that when a Missouri Southern student dies, we raise

money for a tree or something in his honor," said Holly Boettcher, a senior criminal justice major and classmate of Riley's. "We'll be taking donations for about a month, then we'll go purchase a red maple tree and probably plant it near the dorms because he was well known and liked around there."

After the tree is planted a plaque will be placed near the tree, and a letter and map will be mailed to all contributors thanking them and telling them the location of the tree.

Persons desiring to make contributions may do so in care of Doug Carnahan in the student services office. Checks should be made payable to the Missouri Southern Blake Riley Tree Fund.

"Blake was a really outgoing person," Boettcher said. "He was quiet, but always friendly and willing to stop and talk with you."

Lions will play Rolla Saturday

Despite the loss of four players, including their starting quarterback, the football Lions have decided to go ahead and play Saturday's game against the University of Missouri-Rolla at Fred Hughes Stadium.

"I think Blake Riley would not want us to call it off," Lantz said. "I talked to Blake's parents and they agreed with me that he would want us to play the game."

Although College officials discussed canceling the game, Lantz said it was not a good idea to do that.

"Practicing is good therapy for the team, and we are going out to play hard," he said. "It's good to return to normalcy as much as possible after something like this happens. We just need to pick up the pieces and go on from there. It's what Blake would want us to do."

Riley was a 'caring person'

Though Riley is dead, his friends say they will always remember him for his kindness and sincerity.

"I met him last spring," said Boettcher. "He came up to me in class and introduced himself. I liked him from the very beginning."

"He was just a caring person and it didn't matter to him whether you were rich or poor, or pretty or ugly. He was everybody's friend."

Gossett said Riley was a team player and always looked out for everybody else.

"He was a great guy," said Gossett. "Everybody liked him and we'll miss him very much. I know the team's going to play hard for him."

Boettcher said Riley always will be with her in spirit, and she looks forward to the day she will see him again.

"I'll always remember him as my friend," she said. "The last thing he said to me was 'Have a nice weekend, and I'll see you on Monday.'"

"He was very quiet in the classroom," said Dr. Joe Lambert, head of the English department and one of Riley's instructors. "He was a very solid student and always tried to do his best, and he was always eager to learn."

Jimmie Williams, assistant professor of law enforcement, said Riley was "a good young man" who made an impression on him from day one.

"Blake Riley was a champion," said Lantz. "He dared to be great, and he wanted to be the best at what he did. He is representative of Southern football in that he had decided to jump in and help build regardless of the cost. Blake Riley wanted to be used at the best place he could be. Now, he is."

Cole in critical condition

BY KATY HURN
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Another Missouri Southern student is in "very critical" condition following a car accident Friday night.

Robin Cole, a sophomore psychology major, was driving near the Sparkle Car Wash at 2820 East 32nd Street when a pickup crashed into her passenger side.

Cole was apparently making a left turn onto 32nd Street from the Southside Shopping Center when she was directly struck by the east-bound truck. According to witnesses and evidence at the scene, the truck was traveling over the speed limit.

Though wearing her seat belt at the time, Cole sustained a broken leg, broken ankle, crushed pelvis, and severe head injuries. She is currently in the intensive care unit of St. John's Regional Medical Center in Joplin.

Dan Anderson, a senior biology major, was within 20 feet of the road when the accident occurred. He said he ran to the car to try to assist Cole.

"I was kind of in shock at what I saw," said Anderson. "The door that she got hit on was totally smashed."

Anderson proceeded to the other side of the car, where he found Cole unconscious and bleeding.

"She was breathing, so there was no initial need to help her breathe," he said. "I didn't want to move her, I just

wanted to stop the bleeding and make sure she was breathing. That was my concern."

A nurse who was near the scene hurried to assist Anderson. Several minutes later, a fireman and ambulance arrived.

Anderson, who is experienced in first aid and accident situations, said most people in such situations would have reacted in the same manner.

Anderson has taken courses in CPR and has worked as a volunteer for the Red Cross. He is a former Marine and lifeguard, and has saved several children's lives in drowning situations.

"It was just kind of instinct to make sure that she was OK," he said. "I felt fortunate, though, that a nurse came."

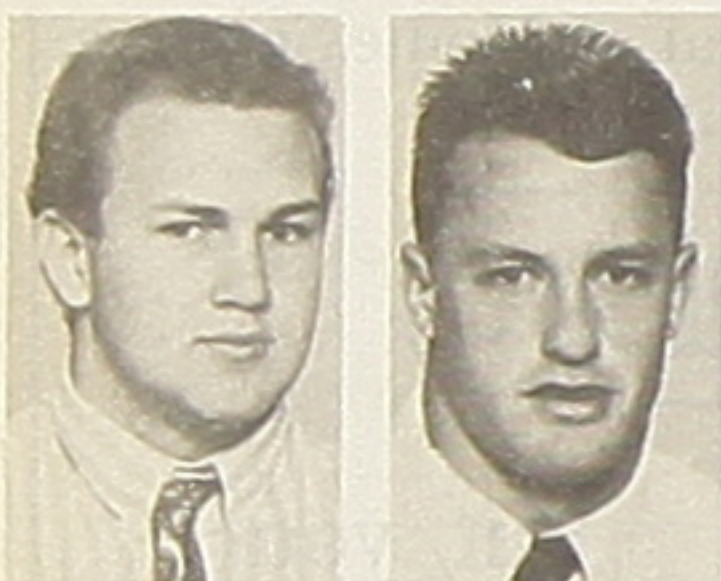
Dr. Glenn Dolence, vice president for student services, visited the hospital Tuesday to check on her condition.

"While it's not just a glowing report, there were certainly positive aspects," he said. "We just have to lend our prayers to the family and give our support."

Cole's brother, Joe, said there have been no major changes in her condition, though much of the swelling in her arms and legs has diminished.

Considering the number of accidents that have occurred this week, Anderson said it has created an awareness of the vulnerability of people traveling in cars.

"It's important that people realize how vulnerable they are in cars," he said. "We lose sight of that so much."



Blake Riley



Alan Brown



Jim Mazzocchi



David Gossett

"People from Joplin, my hometown, and from around here (Tulsa) have all been real supportive," he said. "I've gotten a lot of phone calls and several different visitors. I'm just glad everybody cares and is thinking about us."

Brown, a senior starting quarterback from Phoenix, remains in critical but stable condition in the hospital's ICU. He is being treated for head trauma after undergoing a splenectomy on Sunday.

"He's stable and all his vital signs are looking good," said Terry Brown, his father. "The swelling in his skull is still our main concern right now. He's in a drug-induced coma that helps to control the swelling."

"The doctors are looking for signs that once the swelling has stabilized, they'll gradually reduce the medication. We're just waiting for those big brown eyes to open and then we'll be all set."

Vietnam vet assists players

According to the Oklahoma State Highway Patrol, the accident occurred at about 4:50 a.m. near mile marker 273 on the turnpike when Mazzocchi, the driver of the automobile, apparently fell asleep at the wheel and struck a broken-down tractor-trailer on the side of the road.

"If they would have had their seat belts on, I think they'd be in a lot better shape," said Rick Green, one of the patrolmen working the scene. "If they hadn't been athletes and their bodies not so conditioned, things would have been a lot

ing there, their car could have gone down into a ravine. It could have been much worse."

Bill Boyd, a truck driver from Cross Plains, Tenn., was traveling behind the players seconds before the accident.

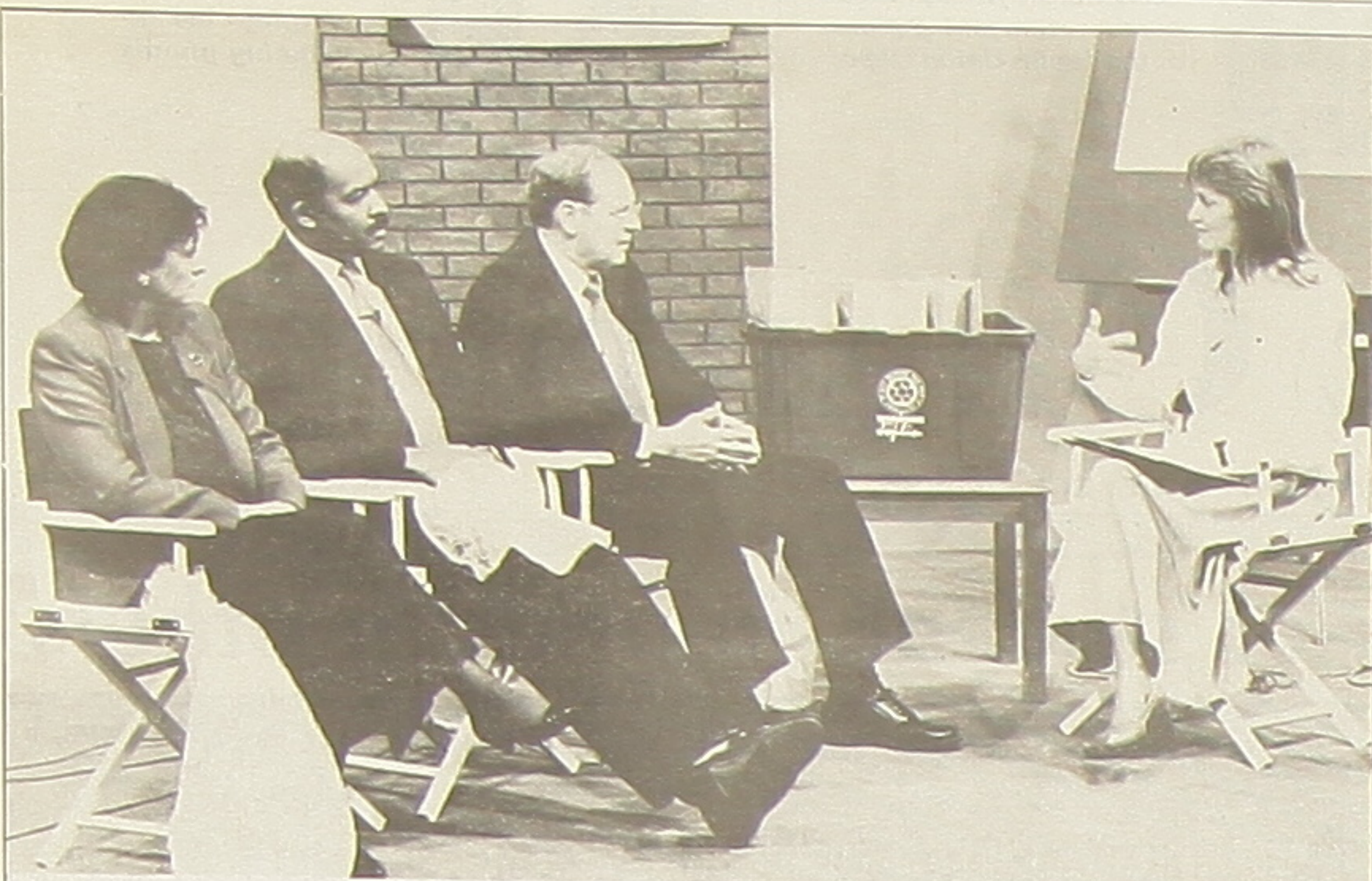
"Their car appeared in the right lane ahead of me out of nowhere, and I don't know how I kept from hitting them," said Boyd. "I was re-setting the clock in the console above my windshield when I looked down to see this car come from out of the dark. I hit the brakes and whipped the rig around to the left of the car. I just don't know how I kept from hitting them."

Boyd, a former machine gunner for the United States Marine Corps, served his tour in Vietnam in 1967.

"I think serving in Nam and seeing all the deaths and killings over there sort of made this bearable to me," he said. "It was just an automatic response for me to stop and help those boys. I could never pass something like that."

Boyd, the first person to arrive on the scene of the accident, immediately began helping the players climb out of the car.

"When I got there, Mazzocchi was just stepping out of the front seat and he asked me what had happened," Boyd said. "He mumbled a few things and said he must have fallen asleep, and he started crying. I walked him over to the embankment and set him down, but he kept getting up and walking toward the highway, toward the lights to try and get some help down



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A 'trashy' issue

Judy Stiles (right) hosted "Public Forum: A Trash Dilemma" on MSTV Monday night with (from left) Council members Cheryl Dandridge and Jim West, and Harold McCoy, director of public works. The live program dealt with the upcoming ballot asking Joplin residents to approve a bag fee for trash and a levy increase to finance a transfer station. The show was inundated with phone calls from viewers asking questions about the issue, and MSTV has decided to re-air the program following this Monday's airing of the City Council meeting at 6 p.m.

Klassix Society to provide support group for station

BY KATY HURN
ASSISTANT EDITOR

As KXMS approaches its fourth anniversary in April, the formation of a community support group called the Klassix Society is in progress.

According to Jean Campbell, promotions director for KXMS and MSTV, the idea for the group originated at an KXMS management board meeting in August. The objective of the group is to allow friends of KXMS to become more involved with the radio station and its role.

"This is something that can be done to pull together common resources and involve people that share a mutual and common interest in classical music," said Campbell.

Among the suggested activities for the Klassix Society are assisting students in learning about listeners' needs and demands, recruiting volunteers for on-air announcing, assisting in establishing scholarships, and assisting in founding and publishing an arts magazine/program guide. The group also hopes to solicit the playing of KXMS in offices and businesses and help establish programs for increasing awareness and knowledge of its music.

An open house at KXMS from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday will be conducted to establish interest in the new group.

Members of the first board to the

Klassix Society have been appointed and will be responsible for organizing and leading the society. They include: Jackie Potter, an author, Carthage; John Anderson, an employee of Southwestern Bell Telephone, Joplin; Bruce Vaughan, president of Financial Federal in Joplin, Carthage; Richard Freeborn, an employee of Labarge Electronics in Joplin, Neosho; and Judy Baker, a Sarcoxie legal secretary.

"This is going to be a demanding assignment initially," said Campbell. "These people were chosen for their willingness and enthusiasm."

"It's exciting that there are people who are willing to give us the necessary time, effort, and thought to develop the concept and get the group started."

According to Richard Massa, executive manager of KXMS, the station claims 4,700 listeners during an average week.

"For a classical radio station, we have almost amazing strength at this point in our history," he said. "The ratings indicate that although we reach a smaller potential audience we have far more faithful listening than other public radio stations in the area."

Massa believes the formation of the society will prove to be beneficial.

"I'm quite sure the society will be able to make valid contributions that will play an important part in the future development of KXMS," he said.

KXMS searches for new general manager

Department head says Clark's load is too heavy

BY DIANE VAN DERA
CAMPUS EDITOR

By the spring semester, KXMS, Missouri Southern's classical radio station, should have a new general manager.

Dr. Robert Clark, associate professor of communications, has been serving as the general manager since the radio station's inception in 1986. Clark also teaches 12 hours of courses and supervises six hours of communications practicums.

"It simply can't be done," said Richard Massa, head of the communications department, referring to Clark's load. "To alleviate the situation, by the beginning of the second semester we hope to have in place a full-time staff person as general manager of KXMS."

Clark declined to comment on the

change.

To fill the position, the communications department has begun a nationwide search for a qualified candidate. It is seeking a person with an appropriate college degree, preferably a master's degree, public radio experience, a knowledge of classical music, and one who "will have excellent rapport with and concern for students."

Letters have been sent to 50 public radio stations across the nation, and contact has been made with the National Public Radio Hotline and the Broadcasters Minority Hotline. Next week, advertisements will run in professional journals such as *Broadcasting*. Already, the department has received applications from people referred by the hot-lines and letters to the radio stations.

Massa says the salary is competitive and is being left open. Applicants are asked to

give their salary requirements, and pay will be based on their qualifications.

Application deadline is Dec. 1, and the new general manager will assume his or her duties in January.

The new general manager will be expected to supervise practicum students and any others associated with the radio station in addition to the broad duties of a general manager. According to Massa, the person must be able to "guide the further development of KXMS and to take KXMS into the future."

The person will be considered a staff member, not faculty.

"At the most, the person might be asked at some point to teach a three-hour course, but I would prefer not to do that immediately," said Massa. "As the department grows, however, it may become necessary for the person to teach no more than one three-hour course."

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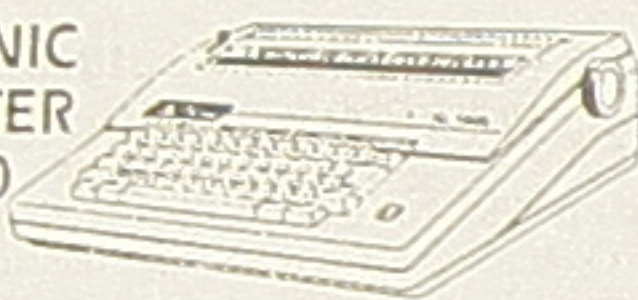
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Senate writes resolution for condom machines

BY JOHN FORD
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Condom machines could be located at Missouri Southern if a resolution put forth by the Student Senate passes promised scrutiny by the Faculty Senate and the College's Board of Regents.

Last week the Senate read, seconded, and approved a resolution which would allow the machines to be placed on campus.

"We have sent a memo to Dr. [College President Julio] Leon about placing the machines on campus," said Sara Woods, Student Senate president.

In addition to the memorandum, which describes the students' desire for condom dispensers on campus, the Senate has sent copies of its resolution to the Board of Regents and the Faculty Senate.

Woods said the Senate was first contacted about placing condom vending machines on campus near the beginning of the fall semester. Even if the resolution

meets the approval of the other campus legislative bodies, Woods said the choice of vendors would not be up to the Senate.

"All we, the Senate, can do is make a recommendation that we have condom machines," Woods said. "We're really not sure what action the Board of Regents or the Faculty Senate will have at this point."

While some senators have said they were either an opponent or a proponent of the resolution, Woods would not comment on her personal views.

"As president of Student Senate, it is my job to facilitate debate, not to be a part of that debate itself," she said. "Therefore, I don't wish to comment on the issue personally."

The condom resolution was first put before the Senate by treasurer Anna Miller. She told *The Chart*, "I strongly feel that Missouri Southern is behind the times in not offering condoms on campus."

During the Senate elections in September, Southern students voted to have the dispensers placed on campus.

Department to hold career seminar

Long-range plans for after graduation will be the topic of a career seminar for senior communications majors at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 9, in Room 313 of Billingsly Student Center.

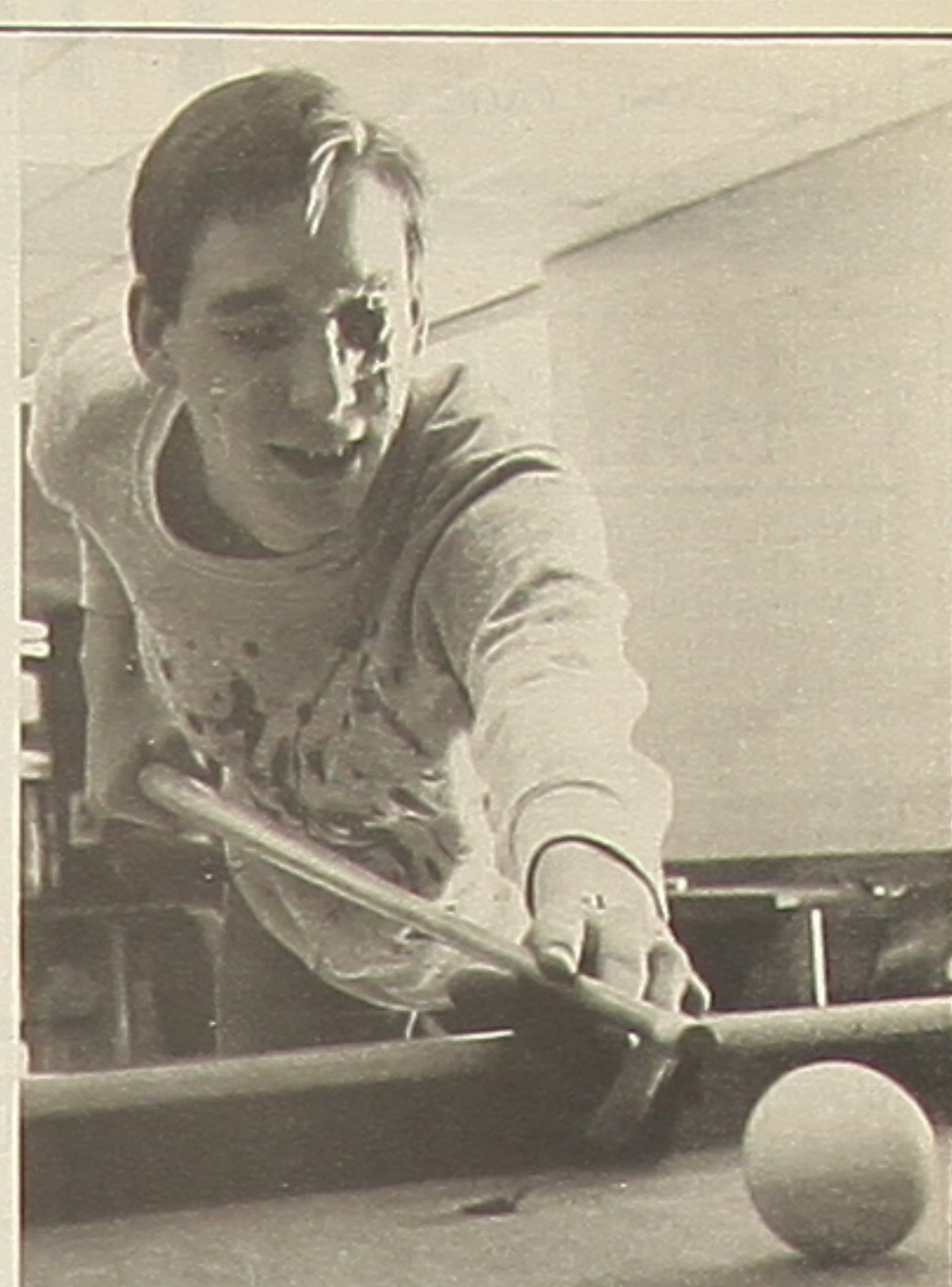
Dr. Carolyn Yocum, assistant professor of communications, said some managers from area businesses will be present to meet with students. She said the managers will visit individually with students and answer questions concerning employability.

Marie Capps, lecturer in communications, will discuss the preparation of cover letters and resumes. Yocum said that while this portion of the seminar will not

deal with the "how to" aspect of resume and cover letter writing, students will be informed on adaption of these materials for particular job opportunities.

Other communications instructors also will be present to offer suggestions for student portfolios and interviewing.

The seminar is part of the department's assessment of itself. Yocum said, "For our department it is a formal part of our assessment of majors which is a mandate given to us by the College and the state of Missouri. We're taking this very seriously. We want our students to be prepared for employability."



Doug Hill (left), a senior theatre major, just "hangs out" as the Wolfman outside the Billingsly Student Center Tuesday while Don Doss (above), a sophomore undeclared major, keeps his one good eye on the cue ball in the Lions' Den.

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3-1149-3 Local restaurant is looking for servers to wait on customers. \$2.01/hr. plus tips. Evening shift available. See your Student Employment office for details.

3-1645-2 Job openings for individuals with CPT operating experience. Hours: 5-9 p.m. Mon-Fri. Pay: \$4.50/hr. See the SES office for details.

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1-1077-1, 5-1077-2 Counter sales clerks needed for one hour photo lab. Sales experience and camera knowledge helpful. Pay: \$3.35/hr. All shifts are needed workers. See the Student Employment Office for more information.

1-1168-1 Local industry is needing a full-time secretary. Good typing and word processing a must. Hours are 8-5, M-F. Pay: \$800/mth with full insurance package. Drop by the Student Employment Office for more info.

3-1045-3 Local cocktail lounge is needing servers. \$2.15/hr. plus tips. Evening shifts only. See the Student Employment Office for more info.

3-2237-1 Convenience store in Carthage is needing a cashier, Tues and Thurs. from 11 p.m.-7 a.m. and on Fri from 3 p.m.-11 p.m. Experience desired. \$3.35/hr. Come by HH 114-F, Student Employment Office for more info.

2-2266-1 Local carpenter is looking for an assistant. Duties wanted include cutting parts and doing odd jobs. If you have some knowledge in carpentry, come by HH 114-F, the Student Employment Office for more info.

4-1212-6 Local hospital has an opening for a monitor tech in ICU. Requires some knowledge of patient care. See the Student Employment Office for more details.

6-1214-2 Local business is searching for a temporary data entry person with some data entry experience. Flexible day hours. Come by HH 114-F for more info.

2-1624-1 A customer service/ramp agent is needed to load and unload bags. There will be contact with the public. If you have a great personality, come by the Student Employment Office for more details.

6-1697-2 Cabinet company is looking for a temporary receptionist with general knowledge of the office. Come by the Student Employment Office for more for more details.

5-1704-4 Business in Carthage is looking for a receptionist. Greeting customers and taking reservations. Contact the SES office for more details.

4-1846-1 A courier is needed to pick up specimens within a 300 mile radius. If you have a good driving record, this may be the job for you. See the Student Employment Office for more details.

2-2168-3 Local business needs a packing literature person. If you are a responsible and take-charge person, come by the SES office for details.

3-2222-2 Local store is looking for a cashier to work some evening hours. Check with the Student Employment Office if interested.

6-2265-1 Local supply company is looking for a receptionist-customer service. General knowledge of office. See the Student Employment Office for more info.

Local hospital has an opening for a phlebotomist. Inquire at your Student Employment Office for more details.

5-1045-1 Nice Joplin restaurant is looking for a salad bar worker, evenings and weekends. Pay: \$3.50/hr. Contact your Student Employment Office, HH 114-F for more information.

5-2194-1 Elderly lady needs student to stay at house, rent free, to run errands. For more information, stop by the SES office, HH 114-F.

5-1642-1 Nurses aids and companions needed for health care service. Shifts vary. \$3.50/hr. starting wage. Experience required. Come by HH, Room 114-F for further details.

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5-2250-1 Part-time sales persons are needed for household products company. Pay is on a commission basis. Hours can be made to fit individual needs. If interested in this opportunity, call 781-3959 or see your Student Employment Office for info.

3-2259-1 Local company needs someone with a good voice to sell tickets for a Christmas show over the phone. Contact the Student Employment Office for more info.

5-2202-2 Local deli looking for a food-service worker. 15-20 hrs/wk. Check with the SES office, HH 114-F for more details.

6-1435-1 Local department store looking for temporary help through the end of the year. See the SES office for more details.

5-1300-6 Do you have any experience with gymnastics? A gymnastics instructor is needed. Come to the Student Employment Office for more details.

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OUR EDITORIALS

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A great loss

Missouri Southern suffered a great loss this week. Blake Allan Riley, a freshman defensive lineman for the football Lions, tragically lost his life Sunday. Three other players were injured in the accident, and we wish them the speediest of recoveries.

Head coach Jon Lantz characterized Blake as a champion and "someone who dared to be great." Perhaps it would be more fitting to relish in the kind of attitude Blake brought to Southern, rather than to mourn his death. We dream of people like Blake, a person who forged his best effort both on and off the field.

Our thoughts and prayers also are extended to Robin Cole, a freshman psychology major from Joplin who was seriously injured in an automobile accident Friday. We wish her a speedy recovery and hope that she returns to the campus soon.

The outpouring of public affection, especially here at Southern, for these accident victims is heartwarming. It shows that while the College may be growing by leaps and bounds, we are never too big to remember the welfare of a few students.

Please vote 'Yes'

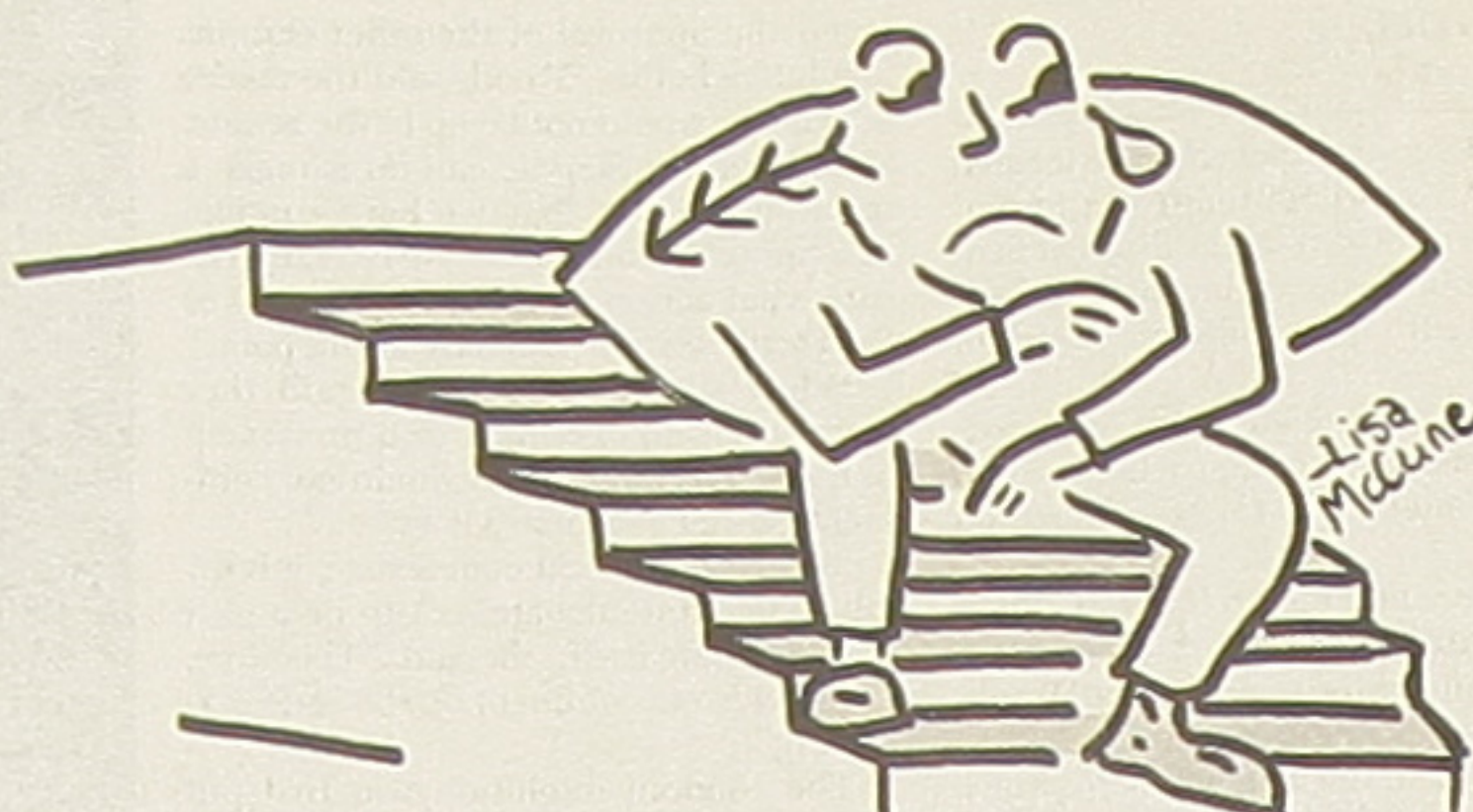
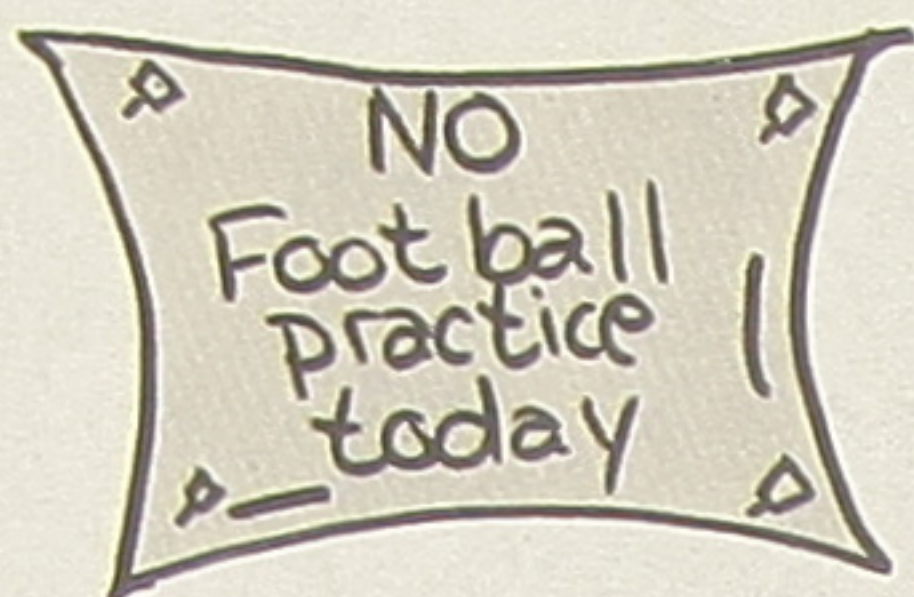
City voters will have the opportunity Tuesday to decide an issue of vital importance: whether they want a special 18-cent tax levy and a per bag charge for trash pickup.

Harold McCoy, director of public works, has said that solid waste disposal is the most vital issue facing us today and into the 21st century. Our future and the future of our children depends on the action we take now.

To vote 'No' on the issue would not mean a continuation of "free" trash pickup. What is likely to happen is the Council would allow one private firm to handle waste disposal, thereby driving the price even higher than that of the proposal.

The city merely wishes to recover the costs incurred on the closure of the landfill, estimated at \$2.7 million. Our city dump, like many across the nation, is rapidly reaching the overflow brink. One reason for the overflowing landfills is that once placed in a landfill, waste does not break down quickly. For instance, by the time a diaper decomposes in a landfill, the wearer could go through college, medical school, and have his or her own practice.

It only makes sense to place your vote in the 'Yes' box on the ballot Tuesday. The proposal has its flaws, but it is the best one we have. Joplin citizens must stop thinking with their pocketbooks and think for the welfare of their children, as well as the future of planet Earth.



Minority recruiting will face obstacles

BY STEPHEN MOORE
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

In the Oct. 26 edition of *The Chart*, an article described a lack of black students in the teacher education program at Missouri Southern. Also in that issue was an editorial expressing our proposal that a minority recruiting position be created.

As an editor, I am ideally supposed to agree fully with the newspaper's opinion. However, I feel I must make one clarification in my views, and in doing so, it is first necessary to examine what is desirable about bringing minorities to Southern.

Obviously, an individual's race alone has nothing to do with how he or she performs as a student. Therefore, increasing the percentage of minorities should do nothing to raise the median I.Q. here.

The advantage to raising the minority population is the creation of a multi-cultural experience at Southern. This is something that is sadly lacking, and development of such a mix of cultures is reason enough to create a minority recruiting office.

In an area such as southwest Missouri where a small percentage of minorities exists, it is easy to build prejudice, misconceptions, and misunderstandings as to how other cultures function.



EDITOR'S COLUMN

As a lifelong resident of this area, I can testify to the lack of knowledge and the resulting biases. Because I realize that such biases are the mark of an uninformed person, I try to always keep an open mind to other cultures. However, everytime I venture outside this area, I am slapped in the face with my own inexperience.

Because I am sure I am not the only student on this campus in the same situation, it is easy to see why such a growth of a multi-cultural population is needed. But there exists some ideological obstacles that must be acknowledged.

Problems arise when a campus feels pressure to rectify an embarrassing situation and responds by recruiting students from urban areas solely on the basis of their race, without giving concerns to their fate once they arrive in Joplin.

Most would agree that a student from a large urban area, where most minority recruiting would likely take place, would have trouble adjusting to life in a city like Joplin. Michael Rodgers, an English instructor and one of only two black faculty members at Southern, admitted this by saying Joplin "is not exactly conducive to blacks who come from a big-city type environment."

This is where the problem with minority recruiting lies. I believe when an institution becomes too concerned with numbers it is easy to lose sight of what is important.

Although I am not asserting this has or even will happen here, I have seen this problem with Joplin-area businesses who receive pressure from public and governmental agencies to equalize the ratio of minorities to whites on their payroll.

In response, these businesses hire minorities on the basis of their minority status. They sometimes have no intentions of encouraging their performance; they simply want the appearance of a good balance. This is not to say they are racist; they are simply reacting to pressures to hire minorities in an area that simply does not support a good cultural mix.

Rodgers also asserts that the development of minority organizations on campus to aid the adjustment of urban to life at Southern is a must for the creation of such a mix.

The College should recruit minority students and follow through with a good support system that would assist them with adjusting to small-city life. This is an adjustment that many of those people native to this area don't understand, but the need for such aid in adjusting is very real.

While anyone can see the tremendous growth potential that could be brought about by the creation of a multi-cultural environment, it cannot be stressed enough that a need exists for stronger programs to aid in the transition attempted by minorities. If these programs are not present, it will not be beneficial to the College or the minority students involved.

Believe it, mathematics is important

BY LINDA HAND
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS

I always hated math! "Math was my worst subject!" "I never understood math!" When I say that I am a math professor, 95 percent of the time these are the responses I get. Somewhere along the line it became OK (maybe even trendy?) not to understand math. If you recognize yourself as one of these people, I wonder about you. How do you use recipes? How do you build things? I have a feeling that you would not brag if you scored below 10 on the ACT in English. Somehow, that would be admitting that you are less than "college material."

Then why is it that some of you are proud of your low math score? You want to believe that only "rocket scientists" or other nerds could understand something as mysterious as solving equations or word problems or calculus. I believe that everyone can learn to do math. Maybe you had a bad teacher once. Maybe you did badly in a class once. Maybe someone told you it "wasn't cool" to do math. None of these is a good reason to continue being unsuccessful.

To succeed, first you must recognize where you stand. If you have very few math skills, then take Math 20. I realize that you don't get credit toward your degree for it, but it certainly makes 30, 110,



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or 111 easier. In fact, it is a prerequisite for these courses if your ACT score is below 11. If you need Math 130, 140, or 131, you should have an ACT score of 21 or above or have completed Math 30 with a C to be successful. Math 110 is not a prerequisite for these and is not enough to get you through. Ask anyone who has tried it!

Secondly, make an effort. If you were taking band or theatre class, you wouldn't come in on a performance day without practicing. Math needs to be practiced, just like art, or music, or theatre. What I mean is that you have to do your homework. Students complain that teachers don't count homework for credit. Does your speech teacher give you credit everytime you practice your speech? Does your business teacher give you credit for every hour you spend reading your book? You are given credit for these tasks indirectly by the score you receive on your speech or your exams.

You should prepare for your exams. I don't mean work yourself into a frenzy or stay up all night before an exam. Refresh your memory about how the problems worked in each section, and just as importantly, how the problems looked. What did they ask for? How were they worded? What kind of instructions were given? Recognizing the type of problem is just as important as knowing how to do it.

Reward yourself for success. Maybe you didn't get an A, but if you did better than you thought you did, give yourself a reward. A word of warning

here: taking a week off from your math class is not a satisfactory award.

What's the point of being successful at math? It depends on you and your goals. The rewards for people who major in math are many. From the 1988 *Jobs Rated Almanac*, the top five best jobs are math-related. The jobs were rated on income, outlook, physical demands, security, stress, and work environment. The top five were Actuary (someone who designs insurance and pension plans), Computer Programmer, Computer Systems Analyst, Mathematician, and Statistician. *UME Trends*, a newsletter about math education, describes the starting salaries of math majors with a B.S. They averaged \$25,900, which is just 7 percent below engineers and well above business majors (who averaged \$21,300). Clearly, they didn't all become high school teachers, although the market is good and salaries are rising. Many took jobs in insurance, government, business, and industry. Some went on to graduate school in other fields: engineering, law, and medicine; some continued in math.

What about you? Why should you be successful at math? In an article in *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, Department of Education researchers say "Boldly stated, more math means more money. Students who took four courses of Calculus or higher earned 11-14 percent more than those who did not." On a day-to-day basis, understanding math can make it possible for you to figure your gas mileage, to balance your checkbook, to compute the best buys at a sale, and perhaps to help you to help your children be successful in a world that is becoming increasingly more technical and computerized.

YOUR LETTERS

Please submit "Letters to the Editor" to The Chart office in Hearn Hall 117 by noon Monday for publication in that week's edition. All letters must be typed or printed neatly, and signed. Letters of fewer than 300 words receive priority consideration.

Student reflects passing of friend

With the passing on of a very good friend, I have realized our tendencies, as college students, to change friendships and relationships as our interests seem to change. We seem to get caught up in the current of pursuits and objectives and allow friendships to fade and sometimes die.

Now, with this drastic loss to Southern, the team, the families, and myself realize the non-

importance of our pursuits as compared to a lost chance at a friendship with a human life.

My chance to regain a friendship with Blake is lost, but maybe the feelings that I have written can be shared with others so that maybe they will be conscious of those dwindling or dying friendships or relationships.

Tim Baker

Non-smoker outraged at 'inconsideration' of smoker

This letter, too, is in response to the "pro-testing smoker" whose letter appeared in the October 19th issue. Like Karen Baker, I'm a non-smoker and I was absolutely outraged at the thoughtlessness and inconsideration Ms. Fimia portrayed in her letter. The facts and research literature that's available today on the harmful effects of smoking far outweigh the points that Ms. Fimia attempted to make. One point I would like to elaborate on is the statement she made in reference to the fact that "Cigarette smokers aren't polluting the environment."

There are two kinds of smoke that come from a cigarette: mainstream smoke (that which the smoker inhales), and sidestream smoke (that which the non-smoker inhales while around the smoker). According to the American Lung Association, studies have shown that sidestream smoke has twice as much tar and nicotine as well as three times as much carbon monoxide than mainstream smoke. (By the way, carbon monoxide robs the blood of oxygen.) It also contains several suspected cancer-causing substances. And this isn't polluting the air? How about the 320,000

people who die every year from the effects of toxins in tobacco smoke? What accounts for their deaths if Ms. Fimia says cigarette smoking isn't polluting the environment?

Also Ms. Fimia, banning smoking isn't a matter of telling smokers what to do because non-smokers have lost control over their lives. In fact, don't you think non-smokers are very much in control of their lives and environment when they prevent smokers from robbing them of their future?

Kora Anderson

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Trash tax, fee package to go before voters Tuesday

McCoy says program is best for the elderly, single-person dwellings

BY JOHN FORD
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Voters in Joplin soon will go to the polls to decide the fate of the installation of a fee for trash pickup, which would be coupled with a tax hike for the service.

The city is in the process of trying to get as many voters as possible to turn out for Tuesday's election. Efforts at Missouri Southern this week included a talk-show which aired on MSTV-K57DR and a seminar for the Biology Club and the Environmental Health Association.

"The College is getting a lot of our attention," said Harold McCoy, director of public works for the city of Joplin. "We're hoping for a big voter turnout. It's important to have as many voters as possible for the election, because this is a long-term decision the Council has to make, and we need to have some feedback from the voters to let us know about our decision."

Another way of reaching the public and responding to some of that feedback is through the use of bulk mailings. Currently, Joplin's mayor, Donald E. Clark, has sent two such mailings to local residents.

In the first mailing, Clark addressed some of the questions he had received from Joplin citizens regarding the proposal. In the second, he again addressed residents' questions, stressing the need for funding of trash disposal.

"It is only proper that the direction the City takes be determined by the majority of the citizens," said Clark in the letter. "That will happen only if Joplin residents exercise their right and their responsibility to share in this decision. The vote, whether it be yes or no, will make a statement about the future of our city."

According to the sample ballot, voters will have the chance to decide whether they want the city to "impose a maximum fee of 11 cents per gallon volume for the collection, transportation and disposal of solid waste, and increase the tax ceiling by 18 cents per \$100 assessed valuation on all taxable real property in the City of Joplin, for general municipal purposes to be used for the construction, maintenance,

and operation of solid waste facilities."

According to McCoy, these facilities include a waste transfer station, which would enable the city to dump its garbage into one large building where it can be separated, processed, baled, and loaded onto trucks. The waste would then be brought to the landfill site. McCoy said the new site could be only 25 miles away, but Joplin's trash also may be shipped to Tulsa before a landfill site can be located.

"Sooner or later, there will be a landfill in Jasper County," he said. "How long that will take, no one knows. But we will have one in Jasper County."

In addition to the landfilling of solid waste, other waste management strategies include incineration, recycling, and composting. McCoy said each of these methods have their benefits, as well as some drawbacks.

"Incineration is not a really viable alternative in the midwest, simply because of the low energy costs of this region," said McCoy.

"Recycling is part of the proposed program. Currently, the state mandates that we reduce our waste stream by 25 percent. Recycling is a way for us to meet a goal of a 15 to 20 percent reduction easily.

"We're currently developing a compost project to deal with the yard wastes," McCoy said. "With these combinations, we can easily meet the 25 percent goal."

More than 3,000 Joplin residents are currently practicing separation of their recyclable garbage. According to two participants in the program, Lorine Kestler and Debbie Curry, the program becomes a habit once started.

"The benefits outweigh the effort it takes to do it," said Curry. "At first it was kind of a nuisance, but now it's not a problem. I used to open canned goods, empty it, and throw the empty in the trash. Now I take the can, rinse it out, and put it in the right recycling bin, all without thinking about it."

Receptacles for the recyclables are provided to the test households free of charge. According to McCoy, households which are in the pilot program are reducing their waste stream by nearly two-thirds.

Many senior citizens have expressed concern to the Council regarding the tax and fee package. They believe they will have difficulty paying for increased property taxes and a separate fee for pickup. McCoy said the Council had thought of these people when drawing up the plan,

and he thought the proposed package was "the most economical way to go."

"A vote against the program will not get them or anyone else free garbage collection," McCoy said. "It's kind of like what the Fram guys say: 'You can pay me now, or pay me later.' We have to have someone to pay it. The reality is we all have to deal with it; the problem of solid waste disposal."

The need for a fee and tax package first came to light three years ago, when the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) stepped up federal regulations regarding landfills, causing closing costs of the dumps to skyrocket, from less than \$500,000 in 1984 to nearly \$2.7 million in 1988. According to McCoy, the current regulations require Joplin's landfill to be replaced within a year because it is becoming environmentally unsound.

The regulations include monitoring the landfill site for the next 20 years for the presence of heavy metals. This will be done by drilling 20 test wells at the site.

Currently, the landfill has been in operation since 1973 and was originally expected to have a life expectancy of 20 years. The fee and tax package would provide for some of this cost, as well as operating another landfill.

Center aids abuse victims

BY BRYAN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Helping support abused children and their parents is the purpose of the Parent Center, created as the Exchange Club Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse, Inc.

The center helps support parents with volunteers who are trained to be parental aides. They also provide adult self-help groups which include Healing the Child Within program and Parents Anonymous. Nurturing classes also are available.

Parental aides help parents cope with the problems of raising a child. The aides have to meet several criteria such as having their own transportation, be at least 21 years of age, and attend a three-day workshop.

The volunteer aides help to break the cycle of child abuse by providing friendship, support, and assistance on focusing on the parents' good qualities. The parental aides, who encourage parents to join support groups, refer the families to the proper community agencies.

The Healing the Child Within program is loosely based on the book *Healing the Child Within*. The group aids adults who were victims of child abuse in their childhood.

"These groups are spreading across the country," said Kay Miller, founder of the Joplin chapter of the Exchange Club Center. "We have about 14 members in the program now."

The program also acts as a support group which allows adults to realize they

were not the only people who experienced problems with physical, emotional, and sexual abuse when they were children. It helps persons to re-establish their childhoods from the aftermath of abuse.

"The main thing that the group does is support one another," Miller said. "Supportiveness is what it's all about for the adults."

Currently, the organization has Parents Anonymous meetings for parents who have, or are afraid they might, physically abuse their children.

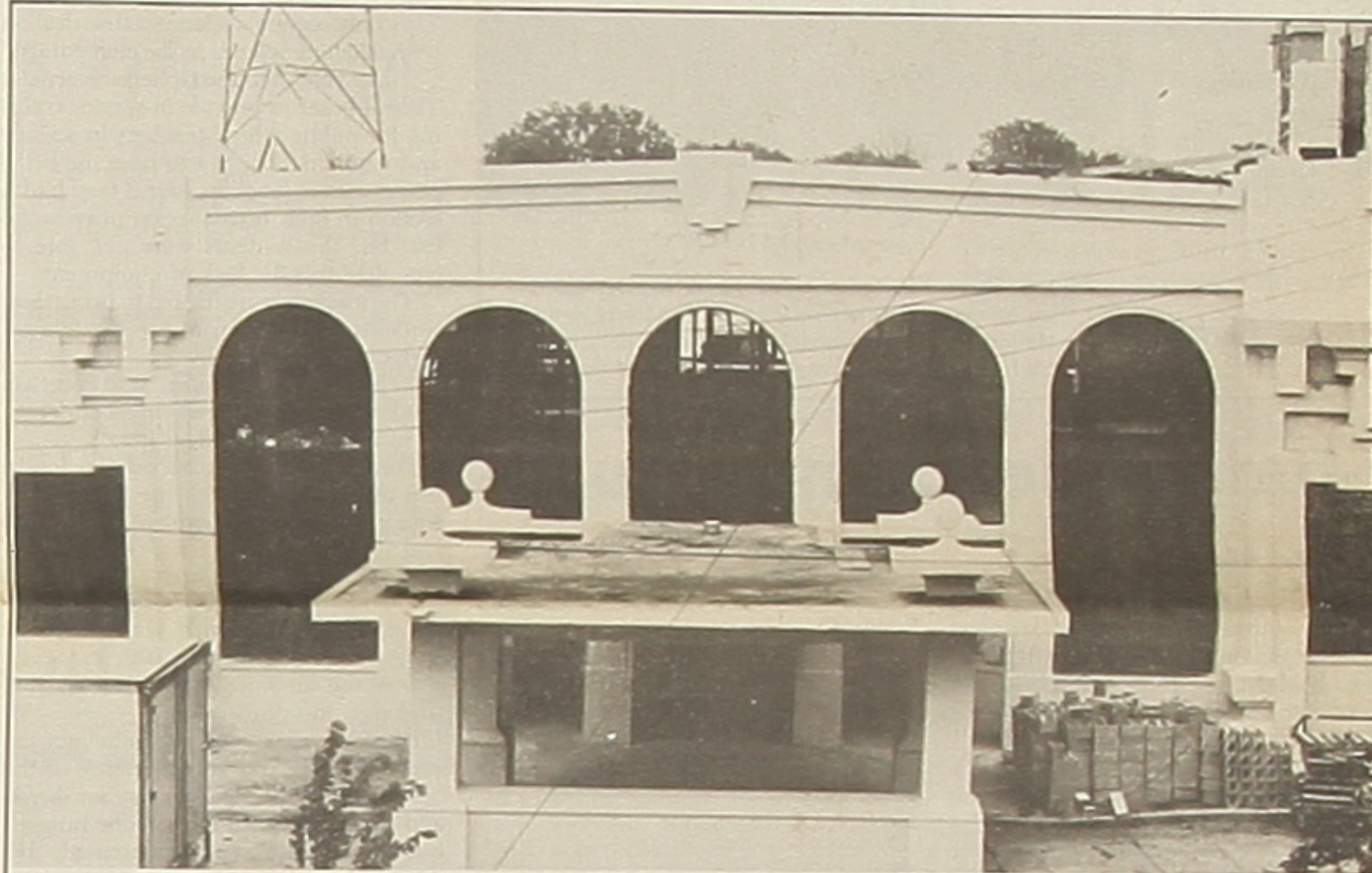
In addition, the Center's nurturing classes try to help parents with interaction with their children. The classes teach parents to discipline their children without physically abusing them.

According to Miller, the Child and Parent Center always are looking for help with these programs.

"There are four programs in which we need help," she said. "We need parent aides which help parents who are at risk of abusing their children, support aides who are group leaders for the parent and children support groups, office aides who assist with the day-to-day office needs, and teachers to teach parents' or children's nurturing classes."

According to *Child Abuse: There Is An Answer*, a pamphlet distributed by the National Exchange Club, child abuse is now a leading cause of childhood deaths in the United States.

For more information on any of the programs, persons may contact Miller at 781-1111.



STAFF PHOTO BY CARINE PETERSON

Historic building

The Union Depot, located at First and Main, is currently the object of two lawsuits. Contractor David Glenn and owner Nancy Allman are suing one another for breach of contract.

Depot renovation screeches to a halt

Contractor, owner file lawsuits against each other alleging breach of contract

BY CARINE PETERSON
STAFF WRITER

Restoration of the Joplin Union Depot is currently underway despite a lawsuit between Glenn Construction Company and Nancy Allman, the building's owner.

David Glenn, president of Glenn Construction, said he has filed suit against the owner strictly because of nonpayment.

"Bills haven't been paid since May, so we had to stop work," he said. "I have to sue to protect the interest of my company."

Glenn recently filed a suit for \$40,503. Following this action, Allman counter-sued for \$11.4 million, contending that Glenn Construction overcharged for the work which was performed. Additionally, she believes the building was damaged during the course of the work. Numerous attempts were made to contact Allman regarding her suit, but she was unavailable

for comment.

Glenn said his company started demolition and clean-up of the property about a year ago. Then, after receiving the final design work, the project started full force in April.

He said the company has a contract to complete a particular phase of the project, which consists of taking care of general conditions, exterior reconditioning, and installing new windows and a roof.

The Joplin Union Depot, built in 1911, was used during the mining and train-traveling eras in Joplin, but use of the building ceased. According to Glenn, it sat vacant for "roughly 20 years."

Trash, broken windows, a leaky roof, and a broken drain system were just some of the problems at the depot when restoration of the building began.

"You could see places here and there where transients had started fires to keep warm in the winter months," Glenn said.

"It was in pretty rough shape when we first started."

According to Glenn, the original proposed budget for the renovation is around \$1.2 million.

"People who renovate historic buildings have to love historic preservation because it is a hassle," he said. "It is more involved than just building a brand new building from the ground up."

"Everything you do, you have to make sure the Department of Natural Resources approves of it, and that usually has to be done in writing. It just can't be handled over the telephones."

Even though Glenn Construction moved off the property in the middle of August, restoration is continuing.

Despite the lawsuit, Glenn says the depot is a "neat" structure and will undoubtedly become a tourist attraction when completed.

Chamber chooses Peerless Co. for award

BY JOHN FORD
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Because of its proven track record of consistent sales, Peerless International Company, Incorporated was chosen as the October Industry of the Month by the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce.

The company, which has an annual payroll of nearly \$500,000, is engaged in the manufacture of roller mill equipment which is used in the agriculture products industry.

"Roller mills are used to crush grain which is used as livestock feed," said Bob Pepples, owner of the firm. "We sell quite a bit within the farm economy, and increasingly we are selling to the light commercial market."

According to Pepples, the firm exports approximately one-third of its roller mill equipment through nearly 200 dealers and other distributors. While most of its market is located within the United States, the company also exports many units to other countries within North America and abroad. Recently, Peerless International has entered into agreements to begin sales to the Soviet Union.

"Most of our exports go to Canada, although we also sell to Australia, a lot of third world nations, and Japan," Pepples said. "We have received some verbal agreements for our first roller mill order in the Soviet Union."

"Russia has a tremendous amount of large farms. In fact, we heard a rumor that one agricultural minister said there were 1,900 farms in his area alone, and

he'd like to have a roller mill in each of them."

However, Pepples pointed out that there was little likelihood of this occurring.

"You know how stories grow," he said. "I don't think it's likely we'll get an account for 1,900 roller mills. Sometimes the real story is a lot smaller than what it appears to be at the time you first hear it."

Most of the parts used in roller mill manufacturing are produced by Peerless, or, as in the case of cast iron components, in local iron foundries.

"We are a true manufacturing company; we don't just assemble the mills here," said Pepples. "We do all of the machining and sheet metal fabrication here, while the cast iron parts are made in local foundries on our patterns. We also use a foundry in Bentonville, Ark."



STAFF PHOTO BY CHRIS COX

Time for repairs

Doug Reg, an employee of Peerless International Company for 30 years, repairs a lathe at the shop.



STAFF PHOTO BY CARINE PETERSON

Barbecuing

Jana Sharp, Kimberly Grinnell, and Gail Demery enjoy an evening of barbecuing at the Monty Python Halloween Wake, sponsored by the Social Sciences Club last Friday. Grinnell is president of the club.

Fifth graders learn microscope use

Prentice and student volunteers instruct at Cecil Floyd Elementary

BY DIANE VAN DERA
CAMPUS EDITOR

A program to educate elementary students in microscope use is currently underway in the Joplin R-8 School District.

Twenty-five fifth-grade classes in the district will be bused to Cecil Floyd Elementary School to receive instruction from Missouri Southern biology and student instructors.

Five years ago the Joplin R-8 School District built the Cecil Floyd Elementary School with an art and science room and an attached greenhouse.

"The teachers were slow to use it," said Dr. Vonnie Prentice, professor of biology and instructor for the sessions, "because for one, elementary teachers are expected to teach everything: science, language arts, math, the whole spectrum. Very few of them are specialists in the teaching of elementary science. Secondly, the room wasn't equipped... for a full class basis."

"You've got to understand," said Melody Marlatt, a senior biology education major, "that elementary education requirements don't require upper level science courses. They only require a science course dealing with teaching science in the elementary."

Three years ago the College received a Title II grant to provide in-service training for public school teachers in science and mathematics. At this time the fifth-grade science teachers found they had a section in their textbooks on microscope use, but the students were not able to complete this for lack of equipment.

The teachers were invited to bring their students to Southern to use the laboratories on campus.

"This was very popular," said Prentice, "and very quickly overwhelmed our ability to accommodate them here."

Prentice then approached the Joplin R-8 district board with the proposal of equipping the science room at Cecil Floyd and using the facility for all of the fifth-grade students in the area.

The idea was accepted and the board equipped the room with 30 microscopes designed for student use. Instruction on how to use the microscopes also was included in the deal.

Prentice was chosen as the faculty instructor because he teaches science methods for secondary teachers at Southern, and thus deals with microscope instruction in a classroom environment. He selects one to three students to accompany him each time and help instruct the fifth graders.

To date, four of the 25 one-hour sessions have been completed.

Each fifth-grade class in the city will attend one microscope lab session. Prentice

will have approximately 12-15 student instructors from Southern by the time the year is over. They will assist in several sessions before conducting their own class.

Prentice is currently seeking volunteers in the biology department to provide the student instruction. Many students who have already volunteered are education and biology majors.

"It's that group, the biology education people," said Prentice, "who can most profit by having a real class to teach, rather than a class of their peers which so often times we have to do."

"You learn more by teaching someone else than you do in the classroom. This is an excellent opportunity for them to teach to a real class."

According to Prentice, the "bottom line" of the sessions is that after this year the elementary teachers will begin microscope instruction for their own classes. Prentice then will only give instruction to replacement faculty at Cecil Floyd.

On Monday Prentice will teach microscope instruction to all of the teachers at

when they feel unsuccessful. We didn't have that."

There are 25 to 29 fifth-grade students at each session, and normally five instructors so the students receive enough individual instruction.

According to Prentice, the classes are important in building interest in microscope use while students are young and impressionable.

"That needs to be enforced," he said, "by the teachers bringing the students back and letting them use the microscopes again."

"The normal college freshman has no more microscope skills than these fifth graders, and this needs to be corrected."

The children are not graded on the classes. It is "to have a positive experience using a microscope."

"The eagerness and the excitement that the fifth-grade students exhibit when they use a microscope properly and their feeling of accomplishment make it enjoyable," Prentice said.

The students' enthusiasm transmitted

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—Dr. Vonnie Prentice, professor of biology

Students learn in costume

BY T. ROB BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Halloween spirit entered Missouri Southern on Tuesday in the form of Dr. Roger Paige's Psychology of Personal Adjustment and Clinical Psychology students.

Paige offered extra credit to those students wearing Halloween costumes to his class.

"It was fine," said sophomore Jay Wasson, who entered class as a flasher wearing a trenchcoat with shorts underneath, "because he gave us extra-credit points. His purpose was probably to bring everyone together in class, and reward those who did."

According to Paige, the class discussed

how people do things on Halloween they would not normally do.

"The costumes just added to that flavor," Paige said. "We also talked about the Mardi Gras, a big party in New Orleans where people let everything hang out."

Paige said in addition to himself, more than half of the students wore costumes. He believes the costume activity was a good opportunity for the students to get into the holiday mood.

"I think it was enjoyable for most of us," he said.

Paige has hopes for what the students will retain from this activity.

"In regard to the costumes," he said, "I think they will remember that the instructor was a person, and not an automaton."

Upcoming Events

Today Nov. 2	Koinonia Free Lunch 11-1 p.m. Basement of dormitory building B	Chess Club Noon Room 325 Reynolds Hall	LDSSA Noon Room 314 BSC	Volleyball vs. Tulsa University 7 p.m. Young Gymnasium
Tomorrow Nov. 3		Honors Luncheon 11:45 a.m. Room 310 BSC		Crossroads 3 p.m. Room 214 Hearnes Hall
Weekend Nov. 4-5	Football vs. U.M.—Rolla 1:30 p.m. Saturday	KXMS Open House 1:30-4:30 Sunday	Cross Country NCAA-II Championships Saturday TBA	Wesley Foundation Food & fellowship 7 p.m. Sunday Newman Road UMC
Monday Nov. 6	FCC 7 a.m. Basement of dormitory building B	ODK 3 p.m. Room 306 BSC	Sigma Nu 5:30 p.m. Room 311 BSC	Health Clinic 6 p.m. Kuhn Hall
Tuesday Nov. 7	Newman Club Noon Room 311 BSC	Placement Workshop 12:20 p.m. Room 313 BSC	International Club 3 p.m. Room 314 BSC	Koinonia 7 p.m. College Heights Church
Wednesday Nov. 8	Baptist Student Union Noon Room 311 BSC	Animal Rights Organization 3 p.m. Room 313 BSC	Honors Colloquim 3 p.m. Room 314 BSC	Student Senate 5:30 p.m. Room 310 BSC

International Club acquires Allman to fill adviser post

Group encourages interaction with other cultures

BY ANGIE STEVENSON
STAFF WRITER

Aside from acquiring a new adviser, the International Club will not be changing a thing.

At least there will not be any changes implemented until there is a need, according to Ann Allman, a Missouri Southern counselor and newly appointed adviser of the club.

Allman will be taking over for Joe Vermillion, also a Southern counselor and former adviser of the International Club for the last eight years.

The transition of advisers occurred mainly because Vermillion has several testing duties. Allman said Vermillion's week is "a very long week."

"I have been associated with the program and filling in for Joe when he couldn't make meetings for the past year," said Allman. "Since I have lived overseas and speak a second language, I am very interested in different cultures."

The purpose of the International Club is to provide a college home for international students, provide them with social activities, and to give them a support group to help them solve any problems they may have.

According to Allman, the organization's main focus is to encourage social relationships with people who have other national backgrounds, to share culture, and to exchange ideas.

"We have quite a variety of students," she said. "Over half of our students are USA students with no obvious international background. Some of these students have parents or spouses who are from foreign countries."

"Others are citizens of the United States, but speak a native language other than

English."

Of the club's 30 members, Allman said about six are "non-USA" students.

The organization plans many activities throughout the year, including dinners, fundraisers, and participating with other clubs on campus. One thing it tries to do every year is to have an off-campus trip within a reasonable radius.

"We try to go somewhere that might have some culture as well as provide us with a good time."

Last year, the group went to Silver Dollar City in Branson. As for this year, the plans are still on the drawing board.

The International Club also likes to sponsor events that other people on campus can enjoy. At 3 p.m. Tuesday in Room 314 of the Billingsly Student Center, Marj Boudreaux will present a slide show entitled "Cultural Contrasts: A View of the Philippines." Allman said everyone is welcome to attend.

In addition to these activities, the group also cooks food from various cultures and in general "tries to foster good relations between countries for the whole campus community, including the faculty."

Allman said many of the faculty members have shown interest in the club. She said some have come to the meetings that are held on the first and third Tuesday of every month.

According to Allman, the future of the International Club looks promising.

"We have a really enthusiastic bunch of freshmen this year," she said. "You will find that this nucleus will carry the club for four years."

Allman said she enjoys working with the club and is very impressed by the students in it.

"I can always count on them to get the job done."



Award winners

William Lemke's "Anna and Phil," and Maryann Williams' "Jilly Wore Her Blue Dress" are photos being featured in the Photospiva '89 competition at the Spiva Art Gallery until Nov. 26. Lemke's photo placed third while William's photo won honorable mention in the contest.

Spiva exhibit receives entries from across U.S.

Nationally known competition is 13th annual

BY JOHN FORD
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Because it is quickly becoming a nationally known competition, Photospiva '89 has received entries from photographers across the United States. "The basic process is that we send out a prospective setting forth the rules and regulations of the exposition," said Val Christensen, director of the Spiva Art Center. "Photographers wishing to enter the exposition submit photographic prints, and those are judged by an individual of some renown in the area of photography."

This year's judge for the annual competition was Charles T. Butler, director of the Huntington (W.Va.) Museum of Art. Butler viewed 887 images taken by 236 photographers from 40 states and the District of Columbia.

"We have had entrants from all over the place," Christensen said. "They range from New York to California and from Florida to Alaska."

Added to the wide variety of photographers which entered the competition were a wide array of formats the photographers used.

According to Christensen, images were in black and white, color, and silver gelatin formats. The photos were silk screened, engraved, manipulated, collaged, and painted on.

"A lot of the artists wished to really have a hand in their work, you might say,"

said Christensen. "There was no limits to the competition. We left it totally open so the artist could express his creativity. It lends diversity to the photograph and to the competition."

Of the images which were entered in the competition, 126 made the cut. While only 14 percent of the photographs entered made the final showing of the competition, Christensen said approximately 44 percent of those entered will be on display.

"Some of the photography is a bit bizarre to the casual viewer," he said. "But there is some traditional stuff, such as landscapes and portraiture. The exposition runs the gamut of subject matter."

The first place winner was John Banasiak of Vermillion, S.D., who won a cash prize of \$350 for his photograph of an orphan girl in Yali, Nicaragua.

The second place winner was Tom Patton of Normandy, Mo. Patton's winning photograph is of two girls overlooking a canyon in South Dakota.

Several other photographers won cash prizes of \$150 for still life, landscape, and portraiture photography. Funding for the exposition came partly from the Missouri Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

The annual competition will be on display in the Spiva Art Center until Nov. 26. This year marks the 150th anniversary of photography, as well as the 13th anniversary of Photospiva.

Award-winning play comes to College

BY STAN MIESNER
STAFF WRITER

Winner of the American College Theatre Festival in 1981, *The Diviners* will be presented Nov. 8-11 in the Barn Theatre.

Diviners is the story of a disturbed young man and his friendship with a disenchanted preacher. It is set in the Depression in a tiny, southern Indiana town that is without a preacher.

Douglas Hill, a senior theatre major from Cassville, portrays C.C. Showers, a smooth-talking preacher who has become disenchanted and believes he has lost his calling.

"He still has a very strong belief in his religion, but he doesn't feel like he's the messenger," said Hill.

Hill said Showers does not fit in well with society in any other role.

"He's a good preacher, but he's a lousy mechanic and a lousy boyfriend. He's pretty much horrible at everything else except preaching."

Showers' disturbed young friend, Buddy, is played by Jeremy Auman, a freshman theatre major from Galena, Kan. As a young child, Buddy nearly drowned, and as a result is deathly afraid of water. Buddy does, however, have the powers of a diviner and is able to locate wells for the town's people.

"Because he's so afraid of water, he's the perfect instrument," said Hill. "He feels it right to the bone."

The story evolves as the town tries to persuade the minister to preach again, and as he tries to persuade Buddy to bathe.

The Diviners is a compelling story of conflict between what society expects of an individual and the internal struggle of the individual to find himself and the life that will truly make him happy. It is a mixture of intensity and horror in the search for the human condition.

The production is being directed by Samantha Wyer, a senior theatre and speech major from Miami, Okla.

Wyer believes the play deals with "fatalistic acceptance."

seems to have a disposition.

"He might yell and get on to people, but he doesn't really mean it," said Nielsen. "He just enjoys yelling and griping at people."

Wyer said keeping the actors focused on being real people presents a challenge for her as director.

"It's sometimes a real challenge for an actor to not play to the audience," she said.

She said although the characters are

"One of the main messages is an awareness of nature and its power. It's how you react to things outside of you, how you try to change things that are inside of you, but you can't."

—Samantha Wyer, theatre and speech major

"The super-objective of the show is to control one's own destiny, although nature has pre-determined it," said Wyer. "One of the main messages is an awareness of nature and its power. It's how you react to things outside of you, how you try to change things that are inside of you, but you can't."

Hill said, "*The Diviners* is the whole idea of searching for something you don't have that's buried, and bringing it to the top."

The 11-member cast offers a variety of the people who live in the town. Hans Peter Nielsen, a freshman theatre major from Springfield, plays the part of a middle-aged doctor-medicine man who always

country people, their personalities are complex.

"There are people in it that you could say are country," Wyer said. "You might say, 'Yeah, I've seen that type of character before,' but once you see how they really are, they're not stereotypical. They're real people."

Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1 for senior citizens and high school students. Admission is free for Southern students, faculty, and staff with an I.D. card. Seating is limited and reservations are suggested. Reservations may be made by calling 625-9393, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Curtain time is 7:30 nightly.

Theatre major emphasizes being different from others

BY MARGARETHA MALDOON
CHART REPORTER

Who would want to be a duck-billed platypus?

A student at Webb City High School answered his student teacher, Jay Havener, that "If I were an animal I would be a platypus because I am not like anybody else."

Havener, a senior theatre and speech major, places a great deal of emphasis on being different.

"Some kids would say that they would be puppies because they are cute, but I want to know who they really are, not what they like," he said.

In his student teaching Havener wants to impress upon the students that they are not like anybody else and that it is OK, as long as they are true to themselves. Havener himself was motivated to find out who he was by a teacher in high school.

"A lot of what high school and college kids encounter are things like motivation

and self-esteem. Once they get a handle on those two things, there is nothing that can stop them," he said.

Havener wanted to be a teacher since sixth grade, but it was in high school that he discovered a real passion for theatre. It turned him around from a 'C' student to a National Honor Society student.

"Theatre causes you to look at life from someone else's perspective for awhile. Once you do that, it gives a person a chance to find where their outer limits are," said Havener. "Theatre has taught me compassion. I have learned that there are bits and pieces of me in each character. It has helped me see who I am."

Havener, 32, spent time at Park College, near Kansas City, for three years until his major in technical theatre was cancelled. He shifted gears at that time, got married, and moved to Michigan. There he worked as a pipe fitter.

"I hated every day. There were no created outlets, and my dream to become a teacher was somewhere on the backburner," said Havener.

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Instructor makes cut at College

BY JOE BAKER
CHART REPORTER

A country gentleman in a rural setting aptly describes Dr. Dirk Nelson.

Nelson, a new assistant professor of physical education, is residing in Saginaw after living in a "rowdy" neighborhood in Lawrence, Kan. "I applied with larger universities but was not as quite enthusiastic about the scope of the larger university," he said. "They place more on lab and research activities while Southern places more on getting the students in the classroom and having a closer relationship with them."

"I am very enthusiastic about learning, and the best way to learn something is to teach it. I find myself in a wonderful place; I find my students as teachers to me because they pose questions and have comments that I may not have looked at previously. It allows me to learn more and also benefits the students."

Nelson attended Montana State University, where he received his bachelor's in sports medicine and exercise. He played football at Montana State and was a member of three All-American teams and the 1984 NCAA Div. I-AA champions.

After graduating from Montana State, Nelson went on to try out for the Seattle Seahawks as a punter, surviving to the next-to-last cut.

"If I didn't get cut I never would have met my wife, and I would not have had the opportunity to come here," he said.

Nelson then went on to graduate school at the University of Kansas, receiving his master's degree in exercise psychology and kinesiology (the study of human movement). He obtained his Ph.D. at KU in kinesiology and nutrition.

"I paid for my graduate school from the money I received for trying out for the Seahawks," said Nelson.

Nelson just recently married his "wonderful" wife, Renda. He enjoys playing golf, bowling, and reading about World War II.

"I really like the atmosphere here, and I plan on staying here a long time."

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Wilson thinks of Joplin as his own 'Big Apple'

BY KEVIN MCCLINTOCK
CHART REPORTER

Joplin, with its 40,000 population, is considered the "Big Apple" to Mike Wilson.

"In my hometown in Iowa, it was a big occasion just to dress up and drive the 30 miles to the nearest McDonald's," said Wilson, the new men's assistant basketball coach. "Here, you have five to choose from, plus a great shopping mall. My family will love it."

The only reason his wife and children are not enjoying the sights and sounds of Joplin is because they are 233 miles away, in a small town in Iowa called Lamoni.

"One of the most difficult transitions of my life occurred when I had to leave my family to come here. Hopefully, in only a couple of weeks they'll be in Joplin, and then my life will be great. Perfect!"

Apart from assisting Coach Robert Corn with the Lions this year, Wilson also takes on the responsibility of teaching tennis and bowling and Lifetime Wellness, which deals with nutrition, muscle tone and stress. But perhaps the most tedious task will be the numerous hours of scouting and recruiting, which will take him all over Missouri and neighboring states searching for basketball prospects.

"This is a wonderful area for recruiting. You've got Springfield, Kansas City, and St. Louis to choose from in Missouri, plus you have the Oklahoma and Kansas areas and a whole slew of junior colleges."

"We're going to have to jump into it and shed some blood, sweat, tears, and a little elbow grease and then cultivate all of these things which does not happen overnight. But the potential is there to polish

up and excel at Missouri Southern.

Wilson received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Northwest Missouri State University. From there he worked at Graceland College as the head basketball coach for eight successful years.

Besides his extensive coaching career, Wilson proudly served the NAIA as a national rater for basketball and has chaired the NAIA national basketball tournament committee. But rising above all of these accomplishments is his family: Diana, his wife; and his three children, Brett, Kyle and Teyoni.

"That is my greatest accomplishment. That is what has stood out in my life the most."

Wilson not only has a long-term goal, but has a short one as well.

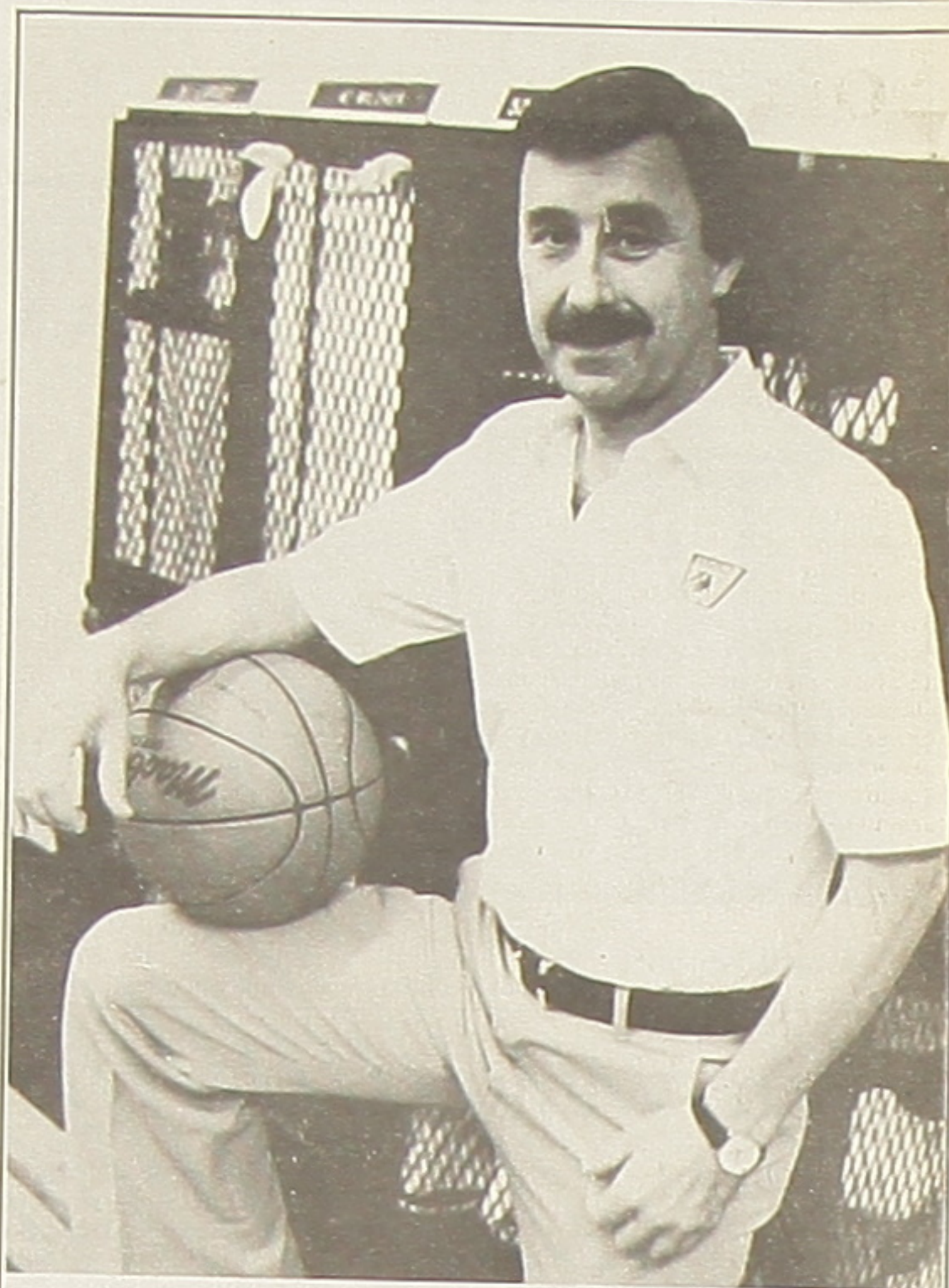
"My short-term goal is to be the best assistant coach for Southern. The long-term goal is to be the best head coach."

Wilson believes the players are a great inspiration and motivation to his work, and his philosophy of life and teaching reflects that.

"I want to help them develop an individual responsibility, accountability, and for the students and athletes to be discreet in life. I hope they know that I did my best to make them good citizens. I've taught them things and they've taught me things, so we have both learned."

Whether driving Highway 71 to Kansas City in a rainstorm for recruits, ordering cheesburgers with his family at a local McDonald's, or disputing a foul call on the courts, Wilson always keeps a phrase in his mind that he has been following for years. It has never let him down.

"Always be thankful for what you've got."



STAFF PHOTO BY CHRIS COX

A metropolis? Mike Wilson, assistant men's basketball coach, hails from a small Iowa town, making Joplin look huge.



STAFF PHOTO BY CARINE PETERSON

Decides to stay After teaching a summer course in accounting, Dr. James Shaver, professor of business administration, decided that he wants to continue teaching here.

Staff member raises horses

BY BRAD STONE
CHART REPORTER

Raising appaloosa horses is a worthwhile hobby for Diane Vann, acquisitions clerk at the Missouri Southern library.

Currently six horses are being raised and trained for drill teams, rodeos, and parades.

"It's the most fun you could ever have," she said. "I especially like riding through the hills in Pineville."

Vann and her husband, Ron, live on a 30-acre farm in Carthage with two of their three children. He oldest daughter is a freshman at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

reference department.

She began her work this year at Southern after working for 12 years in the Carthage school system as a secretary.

"I needed a change in environment," she said. "We have a beautiful campus here, and the student body is a great bunch of people."

Having done everything she ever wanted to do, Vann said, "It has not been easy. Ron was in Vietnam; that was tough." She said children today should be thankful not to have to worry about war. "They can concentrate on the good things in life."

She admits college was not as important to her generation as it is to today's.

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"Kids need to go to college and should have the opportunity to find a field which they enjoy. I probably could have gone to college and had a career in something, but I like my job and I enjoy helping people."

—Diane Vann, acquisitions clerk

"I am most proud of my kids because they are good people and good students." Married for 21 years, Vann and her husband both graduated from Carterville. They met one another in the first grade.

As an acquisitions clerk, Vann files books that are to be ordered in the computer. When the books come in, she puts in pricing information and then they are processed. Vann also opens and closes the library on Saturdays and works in the

they enjoy.

"I probably could have gone to college and had a career in something," she said, "but I like my job and I enjoy helping people."

Vann also has found that she likes to travel. Having six trained horses for show has taken her through most of the immediate area.

"We live in a beautiful part of the country," she said.

Shaver wants to stay here

Instructor sees advantage to smaller communities

BY BROOKE CASEY
CHART REPORTER

One of the latest additions to the school of business administration has decided Missouri Southern is where he wants to be.

Dr. James H. Shaver, professor of business administration, has decided, after teaching a summer class in accounting, that he wants to continue teaching at Southern.

"I like Southern," he said. "The people are very nice and easy to work around."

Shaver has taught at Southwest Missouri State, Baylor University, and Northeast Louisiana State University. He has always been interested in the techniques of accounting. As a public accountant, as well as a professor, Shaver says he relies on patience.

"When teaching accounting, as in any mathematical course, patience is needed the most. When having to repeat a subject time after time, well, it takes a lot of patience."

But Shaver has noticed a problem most students seem to have. The students have not taken any earlier accounting or advanced mathematical courses in high school or college. The students just do not

have enough knowledge of the techniques.

"It's a hard course to take and it's hard to understand accounting anyway, but it just takes more work, and of course, patience for those students who have not had the other courses."

Shaver has taught several various accounting courses. But although accounting takes up most of his day and nine months of the year, Shaver still finds time to travel. He has traveled through many states for both business and pleasure. When he is not traveling, he enjoys walking for relaxation as well as exercise.

Shaver grew up in Van Buren, Ark., and attended the University of Arkansas-Little Rock, where he received his bachelor's degree. He continued his education at Louisiana Tech, where he received his master's and doctorate degrees.

Because he had always lived in this area, moving from Springfield to Joplin was not a major change for him. Having lived in both large and small towns, Shaver prefers the smaller communities.

"I've always lived in this area, at least for most of my life. I guess there is an advantage to living in a smaller town and teaching at a smaller school. I like Missouri Southern and I like Joplin."



STAFF PHOTO BY JIMMY L. SEXTON

Quite a hobby Dianne Vann, an acquisitions clerk at the Spiva Library, raises appaloosa horses in her spare time.

Soccer Lions end season today against Rolla

BY ANASTASIA UMLAND
SPORTS EDITOR

A 1-0 shutout of Northeast Missouri State University Saturday has soccer coach Jack Spurlin calling it the Lions' most important victory of the season.

Northeast, at the time, was ranked 10th in the nation. The game was played in Kirksville, making the victory even more impressive.

"The guys really played to their potential on Saturday," he said. "This is probably a bigger win than Rockhurst."

Spurlin said the juniors played well and were the "stars of the game." The Lions' lone goal was scored by Jeff Malasek on an assist from Lenny Stemmons. Spurlin also said Chuck Mathis and Mike Prater turned in their best defensive effort of the season, and goalie Chris Milliman was "steady in the goal" after a shaky game against John Brown University on Oct. 24.

"Northeast would be one of our top foes in the conference, if we had a conference," said Spurlin. "The guys had their heads in the game. I am very pleased the juniors had such a good game."

According to Spurlin, the Lions were minus several key players Saturday. Sophomore Butch Cumminsky received a red card against John Brown and was ineligible to play against Northeast. Freshman Tait Einerson was out with an injured ankle, and Leon Rollerson lost a starting position because he was late to practices.

"Leon picked up a mid-term class, and he did not get out of class in time to make it to practice on time," Spurlin said. "I took him out of the starting position because I did not think it was fair to the players who were on time to practice."

Tom Davidson, student assistant coach, said the Lions played their best game all year against Northeast.

"It took us a while, but everyone has

finally come together," he said. "This whole season has been really weird. It's been up and down for everyone in the district."

Davidson said the "up and down" season is due to the Lions' winning games they were not expected to and losing games they should have won.

"This year's team has more individual talent than ever before," Davidson said. "I think that has been a problem as well as an advantage. In some games we have seen a 'flash' of good teamwork, but most of the time it has been 11 individuals on the field. I think this is because of the youth of the team. No real leader ever emerged."

The final game of the 1989 season and Spurlin's abbreviated stint as head coach will be at 3:30 p.m. today here against the University of Missouri-Rolla. This game was originally scheduled for Sept. 13 but was cancelled because of poor field conditions.

"If we play to our capabilities we will beat Rolla," said Spurlin. "We lost to them 2-1 last year at Rolla. This year we got 'em at home, and we are tough at home."

Malasek, a tri-captain, expects a victory. "We'll beat Rolla for sure," he said. "We don't lose at home."

Davidson also thinks the Lions, 11-5-2, will post a win against Rolla.

"The soccer program is supposedly in its last season at Rolla," he said. "I think their players are down and do not have their hearts in the game."

Regarding the entire season, Spurlin said he is pleased to have a winning record. He said he does not think the team is playing for him, but for itself.

Said Spurlin, "I would like to think they are playing harder because I am leaving, but I really think they are playing for themselves. Even if we don't win this last game against Rolla, our season will still be a good way to end a tenure."

My Opinion



It's sometimes tough being a sports editor

This is probably the toughest column to write. I do not want to rehash all the things that have been said this week regarding the tragedy that has struck the Missouri Southern football team.

One of the primary rules of being a good reporter is not to get too close to your sources. This week, I realized that I have violated this rule because I am deeply saddened by the recent incident.

I originally thought sports reporting would be a breeze and I could not possibly get wound up in sports because I did not have any real personal experience.

OK, I will be honest. The main reason I became involved in reporting sports was because I kind of felt it was my duty to all womanhood. You know, prove that a woman can "do it" just as well as a man. Granted, my knowledge of sports is not as extensive as the typical sports editor's, but I do believe I have fostered a sincere and beneficial rapport with my sources (usually the athletic coaches on Southern's campus).

This week was probably the most difficult week for me as the new sports editor. It is fine and a lot of fun to write about sports on the campus of Southern as long as the teams are winning. Or even if they aren't, I could always talk to the coaches and players about the techniques they are using to improve their games. But death is something I am not prepared to deal with. Maybe it is because I have never really faced it before.

I am always quick to defend Southern athletics from any criticisms that might be flung. "Of course the guys are working hard," I usually say. I have even been accused of "being biased." Where that accusation came from, I'll never understand. OK, so maybe I am biased toward Southern but I think I have an obligation to be supportive. Some people have said that I just report the good things. OK, so maybe I carry my support too far.

When the news of the accident reached the majority of the population, I told my editor-in-chief that I could not write the story because I did not feel comfortable questioning the other players and coaches about the incident. Maybe I have committed a terrible sin in being too compassionate.

I also feel deep ties to the soccer program. I have heard from Coach Spurlin as well as many of the players that before I began reporting soccer, the team did not get much recognition in *The Chart*. OK, so maybe I "helped put soccer on the map at Southern" but I really don't feel like it is all me. It helps when you have something good to write about.

But then the news of Spurlin's resignation came out and I began to feel remorse for the soccer players and the future of the program. I kept thinking about writing a letter or something to someone to plea for the continuance of the program. The players and the coaches have worked so hard to build the program, and now we are recognized and even feared by other schools. I guess it is hard to admit that even if I do have the "power of the press," I was not as powerful as I thought.

When I learned of the accident, I broke down and cried. I thought of the players who are hospitalized and their families, as well as Blake's family. Tuesday, at the memorial service, Coach Lantz gave the eulogy for Blake and began to cry. I cried, too, because the one thing I remembered from all of our interviews is that he really loves every one of his players.

This is easily one of the times I think it would be easier not to be an editor. I guess being an editor has as many drawbacks as advantages. I don't care if anyone accuses me of being biased. I like to think I am compassionate.

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Miners have sympathy for Southern

Rolla features the wing-T

BY ANASTASIA UMLAND
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Despite the tragic accident Sunday that claimed the life of one and seriously injured three others, the football Lions will continue the 1989 season Saturday when they play host to the University of Missouri-Rolla at 1:30 p.m. in Fred Hughes Stadium.

"All three players in the hospital and Jim Riley (father of the deceased) want us to play Saturday," Jon Lantz, head coach, said in his eulogy Tuesday for Blake Riley, freshman defensive lineman who was killed in an auto accident Sunday. "I know Blake would want us to go on."

Free safety Darrell Erhart said he does not think it matters how the rest of the season goes. He thinks it is important that the Lions continue to play.

"It really doesn't matter if we win or lose," Erhart said. "We are playing on Saturday because we know Blake would want us to play."

Defensive coordinator Kenny Evans said the Lions, 5-3, are not worried about their opponent Saturday. He said he thinks it means a great deal for the team to be able to finish the season.

"We all plan to play hard," he said. "The tragedy has brought the players closer together, and they all want to go out and make it through the game."

According to Lantz, Rolla runs a wing-T offense that is difficult to counteract.

"Anyone who plays Rolla sees this type of offense only once a year," Lantz said. "It is an old offense that is a different look from the rest of our opponents all season."

Evans said Rolla, 1-7, has been strong in the past but has struggled this season.

"Their program is in kind of a bad way," he said. "But that old offense can be deceiving if you aren't ready for it. The wing-T gives a lot of misdirection."

According to Evans, Southern plans to change its defensive alignment to adjust to Rolla's offense.

"We plan on stunning Rolla and putting a lot of pressure on them," Evans said. "Rolla's head coach, Charles Finley, said he is disappointed with his team's record but hopes the youthfulness of his team becomes an advantage."

"Half of our team this season are freshmen," he said. "We have all freshmen in the backfield. When you are as young as we are you can't expect to be No. 1. We plan to go out and play our best."

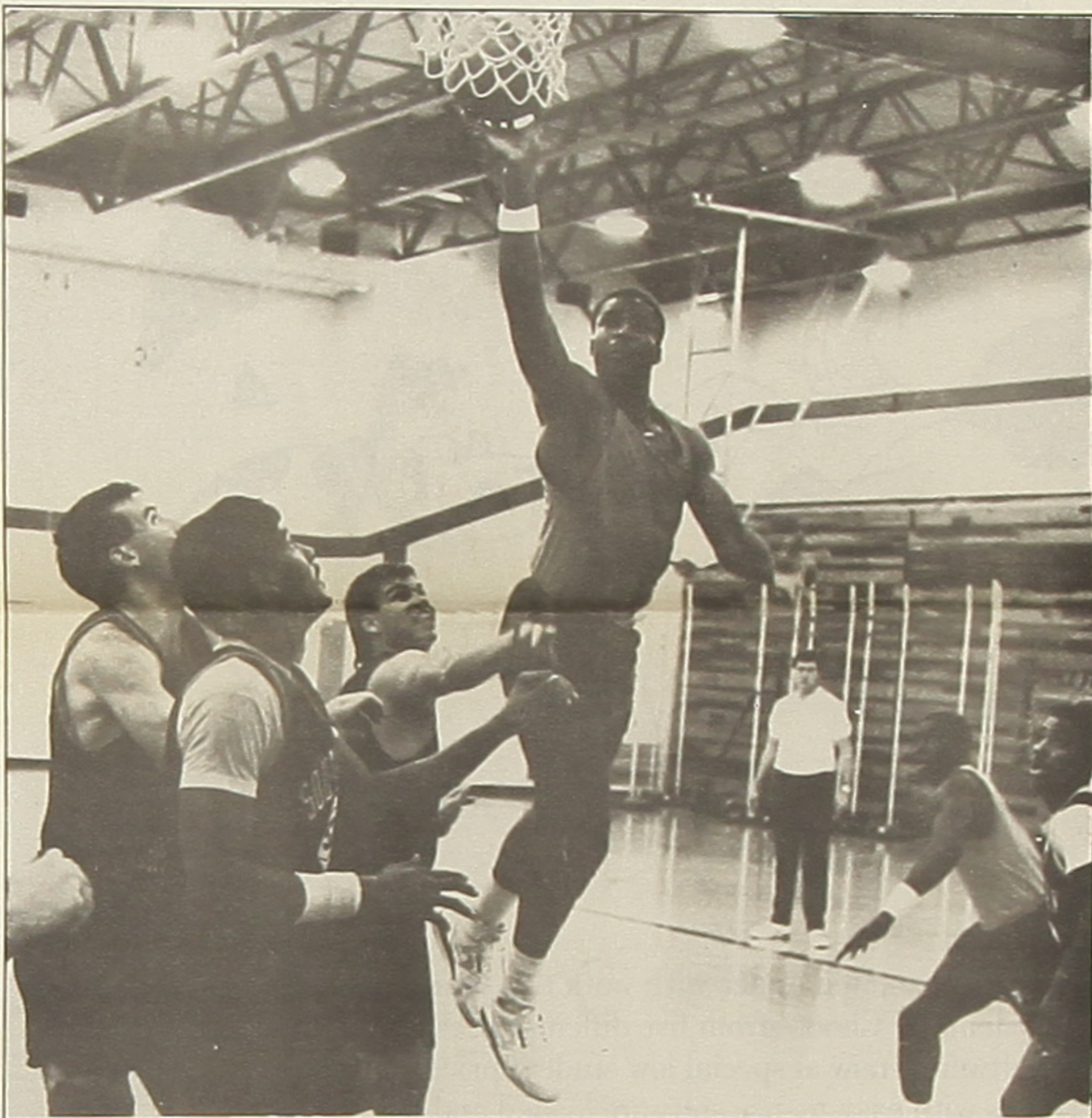
Finley said the Miners feel sympathy for the Southern team and coaching staff. He said he admires the Lions for continuing their season.

"We would have been happy to reschedule the game if the Lions had wanted to," Finley said. "Our attitude about the tragedy was we wanted to be as understanding and accommodating as needed. We can relate to how they must feel. It would have been difficult for me to do (go on with the season). I think they all have a lot of courage."

Evans said two of the injured players, seniors David Gossett and Jim Mazzocchi, are encouraging the Lions "to go out and play hard."

"The guys just want to be able to go out and play," Evans said. "Maybe a little of the motivation to play well is for the guys that are in the hospital as well as for Blake's memory."

Said Erhart, "We will not officially dedicate the game to Blake, but all the team members will feel like they are playing for his memory."



Drive for two Senior power forward Reggie Mahone drives for two points in a recent basketball practice.

Fans can have first look at Lions Saturday

BY ANASTASIA UMLAND
SPORTS EDITOR

Although the season does not officially open until Nov. 21, Robert Corn said the basketball Lions have been busy preparing for Saturday's 10:30 a.m. intrasquad game in Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium.

"I am pleased with the attitude and work ethic of this year's team," said Corn, head coach. "We are still in the stage of getting used to each other."

A "green and gold" scrimmage slated for 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18 will mark the basketball Lions' unofficial debut. Corn said a team composed of former Southern players from 1968-79 will challenge a

team of former players from 1980-89. Representatives from the television and newspaper media will serve as honorary coaches.

"We are hoping to turn this into a major annual event," said Corn. "This is the first time the 'old-timers' will play against each other. It will bring back a lot of old faces and provide an opportunity for older fans to see former Lions compete."

The Lions, with a 4-22 record last season, are anticipating a rebuilding year. Corn said he is not comparing this year's team to last year's record or reputation.

"I don't really discuss last year with the team," he said. "I want last year to stay in the past and begin this season with a positive attitude."

According to Sam Wilcher, senior forward, the 1989-90 season "should be better than last."

"We have a bunch of new guys this year and a new coaching staff," Wilcher said. "All of us will have the chance to get individual attention and help in working on different techniques."

Corn said he has not yet decided on a starting line-up. He said he is still trying to assess each player's strengths and weaknesses.

"The players are still adjusting to each other and to my style of coaching," he said. "We are trying to execute our offense better and work more together as a team defensively."

Lady Lions to entertain Tulsa in final home match

BY T. ROB BROWN
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After playing in the University of Missouri-St. Louis Invitational last weekend and winning only one match, the volleyball Lady Lions will conclude their home schedule at 7 p.m. today against Tulsa University.

The team, now 7-22, will end its 1989 season on Nov. 10-11 when it competes in the MIAA championships in Bolivar.

"We started off the invitational with [the College of] St. Francis who is rated No. 1 in the NAIA," said Debbie Traywick, head coach. "We played them very tough, but lost."

The Lady Lions then challenged the

University of Arkansas-Little Rock but were defeated after playing four games.

"We played well and won the first game 15-6," she said. "In the last game, we lost 15-13 after a strong comeback. We missed a serve at 13-13 and the comeback was killed."

Later in the tournament the Lady Lions played Southeast Missouri State University. Traywick said Southern played well but still lost in three games.

"Then we played UMSL and played terrible against them," she said.

The Lady Lions won their final match against Northeastern Illinois University.

"We won the first game (15-11), lost the second game (15-10), and won the next two (15-3, 15-4)," Traywick said. "In that

match, we started playing and moving really well. The transition looked good."

According to Traywick, she knew NIU would be weaker than ULAR "because Arkansas has a tough program."

"I'd thought they would be in our caliber of play, and we probably could have beat them," she said. "We should have won. Anytime you can beat someone 15-6 in the first game, it's an indication you should have won the match."

Traywick said the tournament was a good experience for the Lady Lions.

"It was nice to see St. Francis play," she said. "They beat UMSL in the last match to win it. They're 37-2 and a real strong top NAIA team."

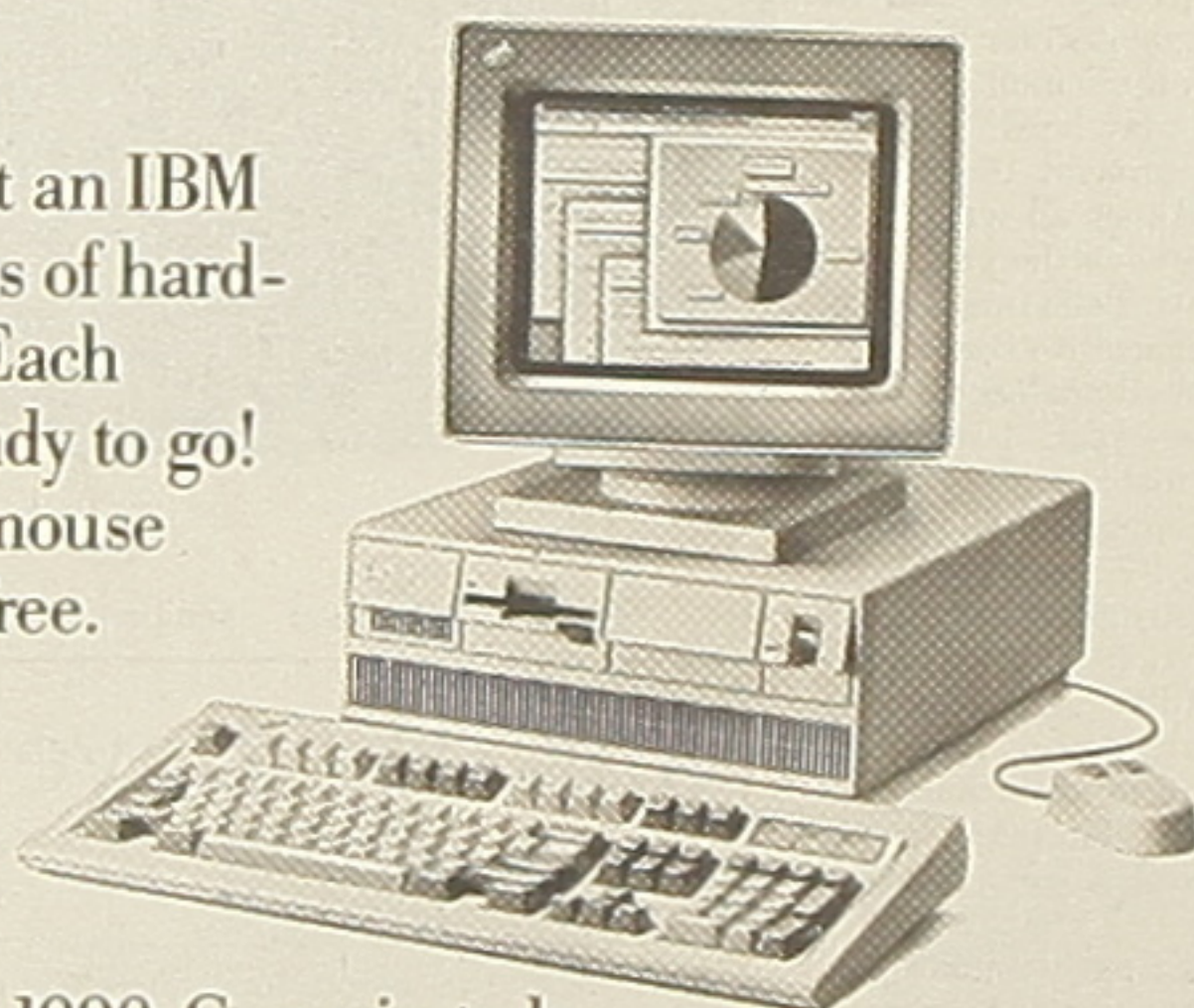
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